

1785
D VILLAS day August 8 1974
MOUSSA 1,160
six pence

THE TIMES

Who has the wealth
Labour wants
to redistribute? Page 14

Resign now, says message taken White House senators

President Nixon was urged by his own party to resign yesterday. Three leading Republican members of Congress went to the White House and thought they told the President he had lost all chance of escaping conviction in a Senate trial for his part in the Watergate cover-up.

Ford prepares to assume Presidency

It became clear yesterday that Vice-President Gerald R. Ford is preparing himself to assume the Presidency. Mr Ford had a meeting with General Alexander Haig, the President's Chief of Staff, and already begun. General Alexander Haig, the President's Chief of Staff, spent an hour with Vice-President Ford this morning at General Haig's request. Spokesmen would only say that they discussed the present situation, but it is clear that Ford is preparing himself to assume the Presidency.

The White House staff, or at least the greater part of it, is also reported to expect the President to step down soon. There was a great emphasis in the Cabinet meeting yesterday, and in exhortations from General Haig to his subordinates, on the need to keep the business of government going. The Vice-President refuses to comment, but he is clearly already choosing his staff and his Cabinet and perhaps also giving thought to the question of whom he will nominate to be Vice-President. On that matter the names being tentatively advanced by his associates are those of the former Governor of New York, Mr Nelson Rockefeller, and the former Attorney-General, Mr Elliot Richardson. The last batch of the documents and tape recordings which the Supreme Court ordered the President to hand over to Judge John Sirica were delivered today. The Washington Post reported this morning that at least one of the tapes besides the three released last Monday, contained a recording of a conversation between the President, Mr James St. Clair, the Sirica's counsel, told Judge Sirica that apparently nine of the 64 conversations which Mr Jaworski had subpoenaed, had not been recorded. He said that five of them were telephones which were not plugged into the recording system, two took place in Camp David and two did not exist, for unknown reasons. This revelation follows the discovery that the end of one tape at the beginning of another had been snipped off, cutting off one of the subpoenaed conversations in mid-sentence. The mutilation must have been done some time ago. Extreme precautions are being taken to guard against further disclosures. Rumours spur Wall Street, page 17



Arnold: punished for dissent.

Two-match suspension for Arnold

By John Woodcock
Cricket Correspondent
To Geoffrey Arnold, of Surrey, has fallen the unenviable distinction of becoming the first cricketer in modern times to be suspended from playing for his county for his behaviour on the field. Although available to play for England in the second Test match against Pakistan at Lord's today and also in the third Test in a fortnight's time, he will miss Surrey's championship match against Middlesex, starting on August 17, as well as their John Player League match against Northamptonshire on the following day. While bowling for Surrey against Warwickshire in a Sunday match last month, Arnold bridled when Peter Wright, the umpire, signalled a wide. Mr Wright and Arnold gave evidence at Lord's yesterday before the disciplinary subcommittee of the Test and County Cricket Board, as did David Evans, who was the other umpire, and John Edrich and Arthur McIntyre, Surrey's captain and coach respectively. In the chair was David Clark, manager of MCC on their last tour to Australia when there was enough of this sort of thing on the field for the Cricket Council to issue a strong warning that they and the TCCB, through their disciplinary committee, would not hesitate to use their wide powers, including the termination of the registration of a player, to put a stop to "incidents involving dissent from umpire's decisions whether by word or deed". Arnold is a superb bowler in this country. Colin Cowdrey told me the other day that he considered him one of the best he had ever played. He might have added that on the field he was also one of the grumblers. It will therefore come as no surprise to cricketers in West Indies, India and Pakistan, as well as in England, that Arnold has at last found an umpire who complained. As well as in England, sweat and blood on the field has recently caused concern. Swearing for the sake of it in everyday life is accepted as it never used to be in a less permissive, more gracious age. Swearing at an umpire is still, mercifully, a good enough reason for a cricketer to be censured, as it is even in football, which tolerates most of the more excessive forms of conduct but still cautions a player for firing four-letter words at a referee.

Greeks will leave Geneva unless Turks pull back forces

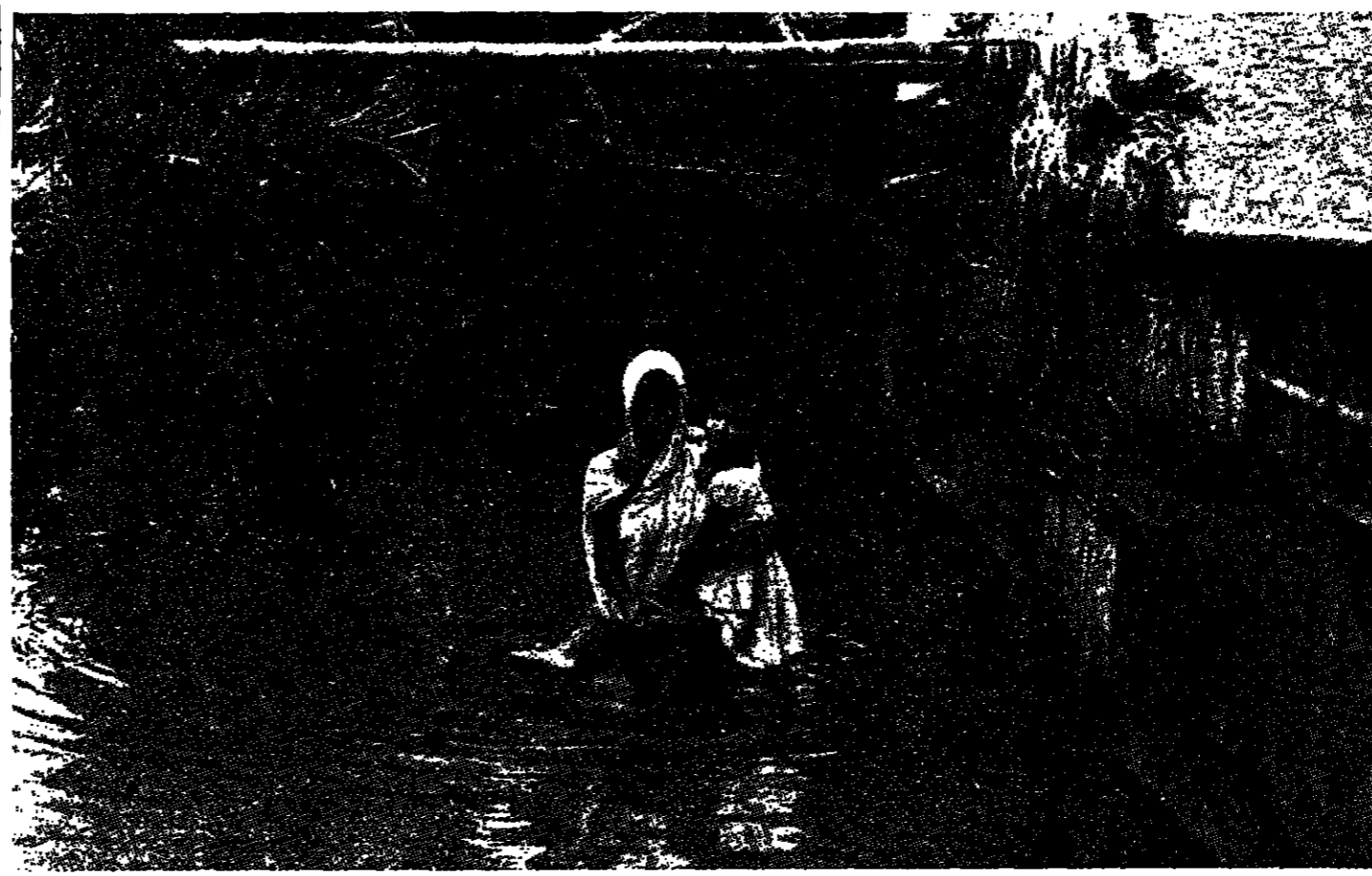
From Mario Modiano
Athens, Aug 7
Greece is determined to walk out of the Cyprus peace talks due to be resumed in Geneva tomorrow, and to take the dispute directly to the United Nations, unless the Turks withdraw to the July 30 ceasefire lines. An authoritative Greek source said: "We go to Geneva tomorrow, but we are very pessimistic. At this moment the Turks are launching a division-strength offensive west of Kyrenia. Since the ceasefire they have captured another 150 square kilometres (60 square miles) of Cyprus territory. Where will this end?"

The Greek side was assured formally today of Soviet support in seeking the immediate withdrawal of all foreign troops from Cyprus, as well as the restoration of the island's independence, territorial integrity, and constitutional order. Mr Igor Yezhov, the Soviet Ambassador, called on Mr Constantine Karamanlis, the Greek Prime Minister. It is not known if the Soviet envoy, as some Athens press reports indicated, reassured him that Greece could count on Soviet military help in the event of a Turkish aggression. Greek officials said today that the Soviet Union, which had so far tolerated the Turkish inter-

vention in Cyprus as the first step towards the reinstatement of constitutional rule, was becoming deeply concerned that Turkey was trying to create preconditions for an immediate or future partition of the island as a means of turning Cyprus into an American base. In the event of a collapse of the Geneva talks, the Greek Government would call for the immediate dispatch of a substantial United Nations emergency force to halt the Turkish advance, these officials said. The Soviet Union and the non-aligned states would be certain to support the Greek demand for the withdrawal of all other troops from Cyprus.

The Soviet reassurances to Greece came after American pressure on the Greek side to disregard as irrelevant the Turkish ceasefire violations and go right into the substance of the Cyprus problem. Mr Arthur Hartman, the American Assistant Secretary of State for European affairs, who left Athens for London today, in his talks with the Greek leaders emphasized the danger of a direct Soviet military involvement if the Cyprus crisis dragged on. "They want us to discuss a permanent solution at a time when the Turkish division is pushing ahead," a Greek official protested. "This cannot be. We cannot discuss

under duress. The main issue for Geneva is the immediate withdrawal of forces. We have only to find the ways and means." The Greek delegation, led by Mr George Mavros, the Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister, is due to take off for Geneva at 10 am tomorrow. Mr Mavros will have a preliminary talk with Mr James Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary, before joining Mr Constantine Karamanlis, the Turkish Foreign Minister, at the round table. Greek sources emphasized that if the British espouse the American theory that the Cyprus peace talks must go on. Continued on page 5, col 7



A mother and her child in a flooded street at Netrakona, Bangladesh, where the death toll from country-wide floods and cholera rose yesterday to 803.

400 X-ray staff join strike over pay

By Alan Hamilton
Labour Staff
Four hundred National Health Service radiographers were on strike yesterday on the second day of their union's campaign for a 10 per cent pay increase. Radiographers at more than 100 hospitals are expected to join the stoppage by the weekend. The area worst affected was the North-east, where radiographers at 45 hospitals were reported to be on strike. Six other hospitals in London, Devon, Scotland and Lancashire, were also affected, with technicians providing only minimal cover for emergency cases. National Health Service radiographers are certain to be awarded an interim pay increase when Lord Halsbury's inquiry into the pay of nurses, midwives, and professions supplementary to medicine issues its preliminary report in six weeks. The strike has been precipitated by Lord Halsbury's refusal last weekend to tell the union, the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs, exactly what increases it could expect. The union has since declared that it will refuse to give evidence to the Halsbury inquiry, and has asked Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, to override the inquiry and negotiate directly with the radiographers, who are seeking pay increases of up to 35 per cent. Mrs Castle has so far refused to respond to the union's latest request, and she is thought likely to make the radiographers wait for Lord Halsbury's report. The Radiological Society's officer for ASTMS, said yesterday that the strikes would spread soon to the Midlands and to other hospitals in Wales and the North-West. Unless there was a speedy settlement of the claim, emergency cover at X-ray units would become limited. Three-day strike threat: Nurses at a psychiatric hospital in Birmingham agreed yesterday to draw up a contingency plan for an all-out, three-day strike (the Press Association reports). No date was fixed. The decision was a unanimous one by union officials at Highcroft Hospital, Erdington, where nurses walked out for 24 hours on Monday. Britain's first total hospital stoppage. Nearly 500 volunteers manned the wards during the strike. Doctors call for rises, page 2

New boost for Liberals in report that Mr Taverne is to take whip

By Our Political Staff
Just four weeks after Mr Christopher Mayhew joined their ranks, the Liberal Party received another boost yesterday with the report that Mr Dick Taverne, Social Democratic MP for Lincoln, is to take the Liberal whip in the Commons in return for active Liberal support in Lincoln. That does not mean that he is as yet actually going so far as to join the Liberal Party. He said at the Liberal summer school at Bristol University as recently as July 20 that he would be fighting the next election once again as a Social Democratic candidate and there is no reason to suppose that he has changed his mind so soon. But he may receive the benefit of active Liberal support in his campaign. At the general election in February, the Liberals did not put up a candidate against him.

This time he may be helped in campaigning by the local Liberal Party and it will be open to them to give him financial assistance, although there are no plans for the Liberals to do so nationally. They would be able to do so for they are in a much stronger financial position than they have been for years, having raised more money to fight the last election than they found they could use in the time available. Mr Taverne telephoned the Press Association from Britanny last night and said he was "baffled by the report". It would not be possible to make a statement until the end of the month when a meeting of the Lincoln Democratic Labour Association had been called to decide its relationship with the Liberal Party in the next election. Mr John Pardoe (Corwall, North), who is the official

Liberal spokesman on Treasury matters, remarked guardedly that "the party would wholeheartedly welcome Dick Taverne and all the others who are considering coming across". A major step before Mr Taverne could become a party member would be to consult his supporters in Lincoln beforehand. That is understandable, as his personal following in Lincoln includes many erstwhile Labour supporters who would not, up to now at any rate, regard themselves as being Liberals, and Mr Taverne has to be sensitive of their feelings. Constituency denial: Mr Taverne's constituency party at Lincoln last night issued a vehement denial that he had taken the Liberal whip (the Press Association reports). The denial was in a statement signed by the two vice-chairmen and vice-president of the Lincoln Democratic Labour Association. Table, page 17

Mr Prentice attacks 'naivety of those to see clause four as holy writ'

Mr Prentice, Secretary of Education and Science, yesterday attacked the view of those who regard clause four of the Labour Party constitution as if it were holy writ. He said that the party's summer at Dorking: "We shall have a mixed economy for the four of us." Mr Prentice, one of the noted moderates, held such views is no surprise, but it is interesting to see that with such force he should feel it necessary to speak before the expected publication of the White Paper on industry. Prentice said: "There is an argument for some extension of the public sector for a pragmatic case can be made. Our development land is ample, so are the docks with Sea oil. The essential point is that the country needs better services from both the private and public sectors. The effect of an enterprise is much more important than the question of who owns the shares." Prentice clearly confirms the view that the White Paper will go much less far in giving public ownership rights than has been supposed. Some of the unexpected news, and is in line with Alison's comment on Tues-

day evening that he wanted to draw a clear line between the public and private sectors and to see private industry profitable. Mr Prentice said: "We have to make sure we are facing up to the challenges of the 1970s, rather than squabbling about issues that no longer matter." In his speech he urged a society reasonable and moderate people must assert their values more vigorously. I am shocked and disgusted by what happened recently at Essex University. The real culprits were the majority students who allowed a minority of wreckers to dominate their affairs. "I have been dismayed by the recent Nalga action, which has caused great hardship. I gain the real credit to the moderate majority who allowed the militants to call the tune." Mr Michael Ivens, director of Aims of Industry, the free enterprise group, last night said: "Mr Prentice's attack is very unfair on people like Mr Benn, who have been stating clearly what are the Labour Party's policies on industry." "We disagree with almost everything that Mr Benn has said but at least he has put his cards on the table. It would have been dishonest if Labour went into the election concealing what they are going to do to industry because they knew

it would be electorally unpopular." Mr Francis Beckett, spokesman for the National Union of Students, said it was sorry to see a Labour Secretary of State for Education "subscribe to the right-wing myth that the real grievances of students and workers are created by their unions and not by the authorities." Nalga said its action in London had been taken only after all the reasonable channels of negotiation had been gone through. A spokesman for the town hall workers' union said that the London local government workers who had stopped work had gone to considerable pains to minimize hardship to the public. Several opportunities to settle the dispute had been ignored by the Government, he added. Mr Molloy, left-wing Labour MP for Ealing, North, said: "Mr Prentice's remark that efficiency was the main qualification for any industry, irrespective of ownership, was the last refuge of mendacious callousness." Mr Molloy added: "If the policies of statesmen and the very role of Parliament over private and public industry do not have for their object the enhancement and cultivation of individual life, they are not fit to be called civilized. And if the achievement of this ideal demands a great debate, so be it."

Five die as Italian express hits lorry

Padua, Aug 7.—The Dolomite Arrow express train smashed into a lorry at a railway crossing near Padua today, killing at least five people and injuring 20. One of the carriages was derailed and caught fire, trapping passengers in the flaming and tangled wreckage, the police said. The exact cause of the collision was not known, but the police said it appeared that the crossing was unguarded. However, other reports said the crossing was guarded but the train crossing sign was not lowered.—AP.

UN 'meditation room' bomb

New York, Aug 7.—Security police found five sticks of dynamite made into a bomb in a United Nations "meditation room" this morning. The city police bomb squad defused them. A guard described the room, where delegates go daily to pray, as a "very dark room, a perfect place to hide a bomb". He said the room was checked each morning because of this, and it was during the routine check that the dynamite was discovered.—UPI.

The rest of the news

- Ulster meeting: Hard-line Protestants see Mr Rees at Stormont 2
- Channel tunnel: British Rail suggests four new alternative routes from London 2
- New newspaper: Action committee finds print unions lukewarm 2
- Drift mine: Coal board reveals plans for Selby project 4
- Lincoln Cathedral: Excavation begins to reach stone needed for repairs 4
- Italy: Right-wingers charged with train bombing 4
- Berlin: West Germany to consult its allies about dispute over access to city 5
- US scandals: Milk marketing lawyer pleads guilty to bribery 5
- Rhodesia: Bishop Muzorewa turns down Smith invitation to talks 5
- New York: Man walks on tight-rope between highest towers in city 6
- Books: Michael Ratcliffe on Casper David Friedrich; reviews of fiction, poetry and paperbacks 8
- Kirkcaldy: Two-page Special Report 12, 13
- Diary: Dr Medvedev disputes longevity claims 14
- Cyprus: Why the Greek government has most at stake in the horse-trading 14
- Leyland: Car group seeks to speed up cuts in work force 17
- Engineering: Union preparing its biggest package of demands 27

alth tax ails today

Government's Green on wealth tax, with details of its proposals to tax transfers, will be discussed by the Chancellor of the Exchequer today. Details of taxation of transfers will take the form of a White Paper. Both will be published in The Times tomorrow. It will also be full news and analysis of the sales and their implications. John Vaizey, page 14

Sensational demand for US Treasury bonds issue

From Frank Vogel
United States Economics Correspondent
Washington, Aug 7
People lined the streets, starting in the early hours of the morning, but they were not waiting for tickets for some spectacular show business event or sporting attraction, but to place their bids for United States Treasury bonds. The demand for the new issue of \$2,250m (€37m) 33-month 9 per cent bonds was sensational. The notes were denominated in units of \$1,000. Despite the fact that people can get better yields elsewhere, the small investors, frightened by rumours of a possible depression and massive bank ruptures, are showing that they are only willing to invest when a Government guaranty is given. The notes were oversubscribed by \$2,050m and the Treasury announced that an issuing price of 101 per cent has been decided upon. The demand from the general public was so great that Federal Reserve officials had to work for much of the night sorting through all the small bids. Some 10,000 people phoned the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank to make enquiries about the bonds in the past two days. First National Bank of Chicago was so snowed under with demand that it had to halt its activity in the new bonds early in the morning. Banks across the country reported frantic demand. The last big Treasury bonds issue involved minimum denominations of \$10,000, thereby effectively cutting out many small investors. The new issue is being financed by many people through withdrawals from savings accounts, thus adding to the problems of the small savings banks, who have already been facing a drain of funds. Today, the Treasury has \$1,750m of 9 per cent, 6 year bonds on offer and the demand is again reported to be strong, though not as great as that seen yesterday. The clear message is that small investors are searching for means of placing their money in truly secure investments that offer a rate of return close to present inflation levels.

**EDWARD
ERDMAN
& COMPANY**

Property Consultants

United Kingdom & Overseas

6 GROSVENOR STREET LONDON W1K 0AD 01-628 8181

LONDON PARIS GLASGOW

Appointments	16	Motoring	27
Arts	9	News	5
Books	8	European	4, 5
Business	17-23	Home	2, 4
Chess	2, 16	Overseas	5
Church	16	Obituary	16
Class Lists	16	Science	16
Court	16	Sport	10, 11
Crossword	28	TV & Radio	27
Diary	14	Theatres, etc	9
Engagements	16	25 Years Ago	16
Features	8, 14	Weather	16
Letters	15	Wills	16

HOME NEWS

Channel tunnel link options include underground section

By Our Planning Reporter The British Railways Board indicated yesterday that it was prepared to concede that substantial sections of the proposed Channel tunnel rail link should run underground.

The differences between these options are in the section between South Croaydon and Woldingham. Option one is an above-ground route farther to the west of Woldingham to reduce visual intrusion.

Protestants in cordial talks with Mr Rees

From Robert Fisk. Belfast The 16 hard-line Protestants who helped to bring down the Northern Ireland power sharing Executive with their strike last May held a long and surprisingly cordial meeting at Stormont Castle yesterday with three British ministers.



The Wallies opt out to Stonehenge

From Philip Howard Stonehenge has always stimulated the rich and engaging springs of English dotiness. The successors to the Harlequins, the last tribesmen of Israel, the modern Druids in fancy dress, and the great pyramid geometers are at present encamped on the perimeter of the great concentric stone circles fortified with elaborate explanations of the mystery of the universe.

Occupied the site since Midsummer Night their leader, known formally as Wally Hope, but answering in informal and unguarded moments to the name of Philip, was in London yesterday arranging legal representation for them. On Monday the Department of the Environment is bringing an action in the High Court to evict the Wallies from the meadow, a quarter of a mile from the sarsen circle of standing stones, which is held by the National Trust on behalf of the nation.

turn his name. Each replied: 'I'm Wally.' The communal flag, known as the Union Wally, and decorated with a grinning face of the sun, flaps over the encampment. One of the more comprehensible community slogans goes: 'Every Body is Wally; Every Day is Sun Day.' Yesterday the camp was occupied by about 30 contemplative Wallies. They combed each other's hair, strummed guitars, smoked strange-smelling substances and explained their theology to all prepared to listen.

biological defence research station. The ancient monuments department of the Department of the Environment is not impressed by the remarkable world vision of the Wallies, and it is bringing an action to get a possession order for the field in which the Wallies are camped. The legal arguments will focus on the terms of the will of a certain Mr Chubb. Mr Chubb bought Stonehenge at the auction of the Antrobus estate in 1915, and then presented it by deed of gift to the nation. The Wallies argue that the nation means Wallies, not the National Trust. Kris Wally, wrestling with flapping plastic, shouted to departing pilgrims: 'The land belongs to God. They will have to bring the Army to shoot us to get us off. Would you like to leave a contribution in the community tin?'

Print unions luke warm over Scots new paper

From Ronald Faux. Glasgow Mr Lee Murray, general secretary of the TUC, is attempting to bring together all the printing trade unions to discuss support for the projected Scottish Daily News. The action committee of former Beaverbrook employees in Glasgow who are attempting to launch the new paper has been bitterly disappointed by the lack of response from most of the large printing trade unions to its appeal for a financial commitment towards the venture.

Museum given chance to buy rare silver jugs

By Our Arts Reporter A temporary export licence is to be issued to enable a pair of rare silver jugs made in 1685 to be exhibited in the United States. The jugs are considered of sufficient national importance to give a museum in this country a chance to buy them within a reasonable period.

Tube staff get rises of up to £10 a week

London Transport's Underground staff are to get rises of up to £10 a week in a new pay and conditions agreement reached last night. The deal, which affects 15,000 men, gives drivers £10 a week more and guards about £8. It was accepted at a meeting between London Transport and the three unions concerned.

Inquest on policeman

The inquest on Police Inspector David Gibson, aged 36, who died on Monday, will be held at Battersea Coroner's Court today.

Left-wing trade unionists join arbitration service

By Our Labour Staff Three trade union leaders have been appointed to the Government's Conciliation and Arbitration Service, which starts work on September 2. They are Mr Jack Jones, general secretary of the Transport and General Workers' Union; Mr George Smith, general secretary of the Union of Construction, Allied Trades and Technicians; and Mr Richard Briginshaw, general secretary of the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel.

Jet-noise control optimistic and misleading, report says

By a Staff Reporter Official reports about the noise level at Heathrow airport, London, and Ringway, Manchester, are misleadingly optimistic, says the Consumers' Association said yesterday. In a report in Which? the association's magazine, it said that some people living close to the airports were suffering from intolerable aircraft noise.

Dangerous pills: child safety packs urged

By a Staff Reporter The Government is to try as a matter of priority, it dangerous pills be packed child-proof containers. In accepting this main recommendation of the Medicines Commission, the Minister of State, Department of Health and Social Security, said at a meeting with 16,000 who are admitted hospital every year suspect of being poisoned by their children.

Barry Robinson remanded

Barry Robinson, aged 33, was remanded in custody until Friday when he appeared at a special court at Congleton, Cheshire, yesterday, charged with burglary. It is alleged that on August 1 he entered a bungalow at Leek Road, Congleton, and stole a Webley .38 revolver, Browning automatic pistol, 20 rounds of ammunition and scout knife and sheath, belonging to David Pimlott.

Doctors and dentists call for immediate pay rises

Doctors and dentists are to ask for an immediate pay rise. Their decision to approach Lord Halsbury's review body on doctors' and dentists' pay comes after a meeting last week between Mrs Castle, Secretary of State for Social Services, and the British Medical and Dental associations.

They can expect much opposition from the Government when both sides give evidence to Lord Halsbury. In a letter to the British Medical Association published last night Mrs Castle confirmed that the review body can make recommendations whenever it likes and that the Government will accept them "unless there were clear and compelling reasons for not doing so."



Mr Silkin, the Attorney General, who is recovering from an operation in King's College Hospital, was visited yesterday by Mr Archer, the Solicitor General (left), and Mr Davidson, Parliamentary Secretary to the Law Officers.

Weather forecast and recordings

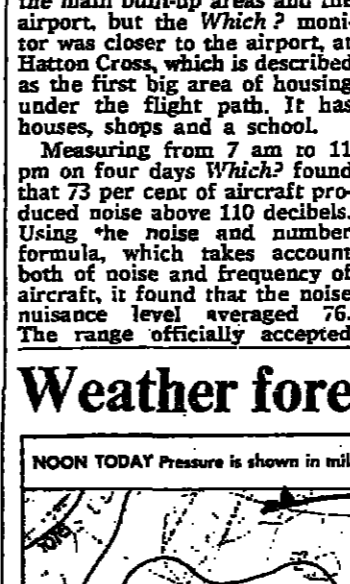


Table containing weather recordings for various locations including London, Manchester, and other major UK cities, listing temperature, rain, and wind.

Table titled 'At the resorts' showing weather forecasts for various coastal resorts like Scarborough, Clacton, and Margate, including sun, rain, and temperature.

Advertisement for 'COUNTRY LIFE SCOTTISH NUMBER' featuring scenic images of Scottish landscapes and text about preserving Scotland's glories.

Advertisement for 'Speelman in good position to win vital chess game' featuring a chess board and text about a chess match between Speelman and Knoch.

Advertisement for 'An Indian Summer in Scotland' and 'Lowlanders in the Highlands' featuring scenic images and text about travel and nature.

Advertisement for 'Speelman in good position to win vital chess game' featuring a chess board and text about a chess match between Speelman and Knoch.

ADVERTISEMENT

HANDS OFF CYPRUS!



As a result of the past three weeks in Cyprus, thousands have been killed: tens of thousands have become homeless refugees. The vast majority of Cypriot people today want to be able to live together in peace in an independent and unitary state. And above all they want *all* foreign troops who have brought with them suffering and death, withdrawn.

A heavy responsibility now rests on the Turkish Government. The new Greek Government is willing to withdraw its military forces. The Turkish Government, before its intervention, announced that its position was based on humanitarian principles and on its legal right to intervene.

This is what the Turkish Government said:

"Turkey is fulfilling her legal responsibility as a guarantor of Cyprus' independence"... "It is clear that our Allies had exhausted every diplomatic possibility and that we would have to take action ourselves as one of the guarantor powers".

This is what the Treaty states:

The rights of the guarantor powers to take action, after consultation has failed, are limited by the Treaty to "the sole aim of re-establishing the state of affairs created by the... Treaty" of Guarantee. That is, a unitary state with built-in safeguards for the Turkish Cypriot community.

And this is what has happened:

After the troops landed in Cyprus, it was announced "Kyrenia is now for ever Turkish". Two ceasefires, one solemnly signed in Geneva, were then systematically broken, and the area occupied by Turkey doubled, although the cause for intervention no longer existed. In effect this amounts not to an intervention under the Treaty, but to an invasion.

Friends of an Independent and Unitary Cyprus are making this appeal:

1. To call on the Turkish Government to return to its declared objective of intervention within the provisions of the Treaty.

2. To call on the British Government as a guarantor power and also on British public opinion to assist the people of Cyprus in their struggle for an independent and unitary state based on full enforcement of the United Nations Security Council resolution and the minimum of constitutional

changes, to be worked out by representatives of the Cypriot communities themselves.

3. To deplore the ill-treatment of members of either Greek or Turkish Cypriot communities and to call for the return of all refugees to their homes under United Nations protection.

4. To call for the full withdrawal of all Greek and Turkish troops from Cyprus and for an increase in the United Nations force on the island.

HOME NEWS

Coal board reveals plans for five shafts in 70 ft-high concrete towers to service Selby drift mine

By Ronald Kershaw
The National Coal Board yesterday submitted its planning application to North Yorkshire County Council and to Selby District Council for the development of the new Selby drift mine. At the same time it disclosed plans for the probable location of five pairs of shafts for ventilation, man-riding and material supply facilities.

The area, roughly 10 miles square, would produce 10 million tons of coal a year for 30 years. About 3,000 men would be employed. Work would begin in April, 1975, subject to planning approval, and coal would be produced in 1978; maximum production would be reached in 1985.

County sets up team to counter baby battering

Salop County Council has set up a specialist team to investigate cases of suspected baby-battering. The four qualified social workers in the team have been recruited to prevent a repetition of a case in which a boy aged two died from parental neglect.

In brief
Four remanded at Oxford

Three Oxford graduates and a university laboratory technician were remanded on bail of £500 to September 9 when they appeared at a special court in Oxford yesterday on charges under the 1971 Criminal Damages Act. Reporting restrictions were not lifted.

Explosives were intended for Northern Ireland extremists, court told

Four men charged with possessing explosives with intent to endanger life and property intended to send them to extremist organizations in Northern Ireland, Mr Ronald Sutherland, QC, Advocate Depute, told a jury in the High Court in Edinburgh yesterday.

Maxwell, aged 32, of Westburn, Camuslang, was charged with possession of explosives, firearms and ammunition, and storing explosives.

Mr Mark Andrew, director of the Yorkshire Council for the Environment, said a local liaison group had met the board to discuss the Wistow headgear, planned to be the first. They had reserved judgment until they saw the design.

Girl of 14 leaves Holloway jail after nine days

A girl aged 14 who spent nine days on remand in Holloway prison was released yesterday after a High Court judge had granted an application in chambers for her to be released on £20 bail in her own recognizance.

Daughter is charged with manslaughter of mother

Mrs Mary Taylor, aged 37, was sent for trial after an inquest in Birmingham yesterday, charged with the manslaughter of her mother, Mrs Mary Naomi Peate, aged 61, of Walsall, Staffordshire.

Ratepayers' spokesman 'misquoted'

Mr Harry Tunnicliffe, chairman of the National Association of Ratepayers' Action Groups (Narag), said yesterday that he believed there was no cause for the organization to take any action over statements made by its spokesman, Mr David Petri.

Fewer road deaths

The number of people killed on the roads dropped by 15 per cent to 520 in May compared with May last year, according to provisional figures issued yesterday.

£7,000 bank raid

A gunman escaped with more than £7,000 after a raid at the Royal Bank of Scotland branch at Springburn, Glasgow, yesterday.

Constables cleared

Two Police Constables, Martin Waters and Neil Panter, of Northampton, were cleared at Northampton Crown Court yesterday of attacking an Irishman, Mr Patrick Feeney. The judge decided that there was no case to answer.

WEST EUROPE



Three men arrested in Bologna yesterday and charged with manslaughter in connection with the bomb explosion on the Rome-Munich express in which 12 people died: (from left) Gaetano Casali, Italo Bono and Emanuele Bartoli.

Right-wing extremists charged with Italian train bombing

Trains throughout Italy will come to a brief stop on Friday as a last salute to the victims of the bomb which exploded on Saturday night on the Rome-Munich express with the loss of 12 lives.

The chief of the Public Security Police, the commanders of the carabinieri and the Finance Ministry's police, and Admiral Mario Casaroli, the newly appointed head of the secret service, were all present at the meeting.

pected members of the Mafia to suspected terrorists. The police can ask the local courts to send suspected members of the Mafia away from the centre of their activities into a form of banishment elsewhere in the country where they would live under surveillance.

US and Portugal to 'reformulate' air base accord

Negotiations between Portugal and America on the "reformulation" of the agreement allowing the United States to use the Lajes air base in the Azores are to begin next month.

Spinola pledge on future of Cape Verde Islands

Guinea, insisted that independence should be brought to all Portugal's African territories through a process of social and economic development and political enlightenment leading to referenda by the various peoples to decide their own destiny.

Since April events seem to have moved too fast for the general's theories to be put into effect. In spite of negotiations between Portugal and PAIGC in London and Algiers in May and June no agreement on a ceasefire was reached.

Ex-councillors at Clay Cross face interest charges

The 11 former urban councillors of Clay Cross, Derbyshire, were asked yesterday to pay 7 per cent interest on a £6,985 surcharge which they have already said they cannot afford to pay.

Fifteen years after approval was obtained for Cambridge Circus redevelopment, minister refuses GLC permission to sell land

The purchase was part of the council's plan to widen Charing Cross Road, a plan that incidentally led to the deal that enabled Mr Harry Hyams to build Centre Point.

A case of politics overriding common sense

It is difficult to believe that a similar proposal could not have been made over Cambridge Circus. Part of the answer may lie in the fact that the site is sandwiched between Covent Garden and Soho, in both of which areas there are strong amenity groups opposed to commercial developments, and near the notorious Centre Point.

Disease curbs lifted

Controlled-area restrictions relating to swine vesicular disease and covering the counties of Avon, Devon, Dorset, Somerset and Wiltshire will be removed from midnight today.

Fish return to Stour

Fish are returning to a two-mile stretch of the Stour, between Blackwater and Christchurch, where thousands died at the weekend because of sewage pollution.

Sweepers remembered

The villagers of Aston Clinton, near Aylesbury, Buckinghamshire, are to put up a bust of Mr Gordon Smith, their road sweeper for 20 years. He died three years ago at the age of 70.

Brick hits M6 coach

Mr Edward Kierney, aged 50, of Northfield, Birmingham, was treated for cuts after a brick had been hurled through the window of a coach on the M6 near Chelmsley Wood, Warwickshire, yesterday.

BEWARE of the White Elephant. STATE CONTROL. Issued by Aims of Industry in defence of free enterprise.

Cathedral repairs depend on moving tons of earth

Work began yesterday on moving the first thousand tons of earth covering stone needed for urgent repairs to Lincoln Cathedral. The cathedral owns a small quarry north of the city and plans to move 10,000 tons of earth to a depth of seven yards to get at new seams of stone for its repair and restoration programme.

Private medical schemes show revenue increase

Subscriptions to private medical care provident schemes totalled £37m in 1973, a rise of £7.5m over 1972. But a survey commissioned by the Department of Health, which is published today, shows that the increase came mainly from higher premium levels rather than an increase in the numbers of subscribers.

Trade unions expected to boycott EEC symposium

European trade unions are becoming increasingly disillusioned with the European Community's attempts to build a realistic social policy. As a result, they are expected to boycott an EEC symposium which they were invited to attend together with representatives from the private sector.

Errors found in Community consumer guide

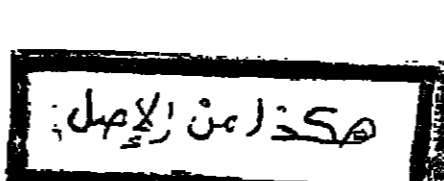
Embarrassed officials in the European Community's information department have had to withdraw a consumer guide from circulation because of a number of factual errors.

Air hostesses fight annual beauty check

Belgian air hostesses are protesting at what they regard as an annual beauty contest to discover whether or not they are fit to continue their jobs after the age of 40.

The Tokyo district court ruled that an "ordinary appearance" was all that was necessary to be a stewardess and that dismissal on the ground of appearance was unreasonable.

The court was told Air France had dismissed the woman whose name was not disclosed, last June, saying her appearance did not conform with the company image.



WEST-EUROPE

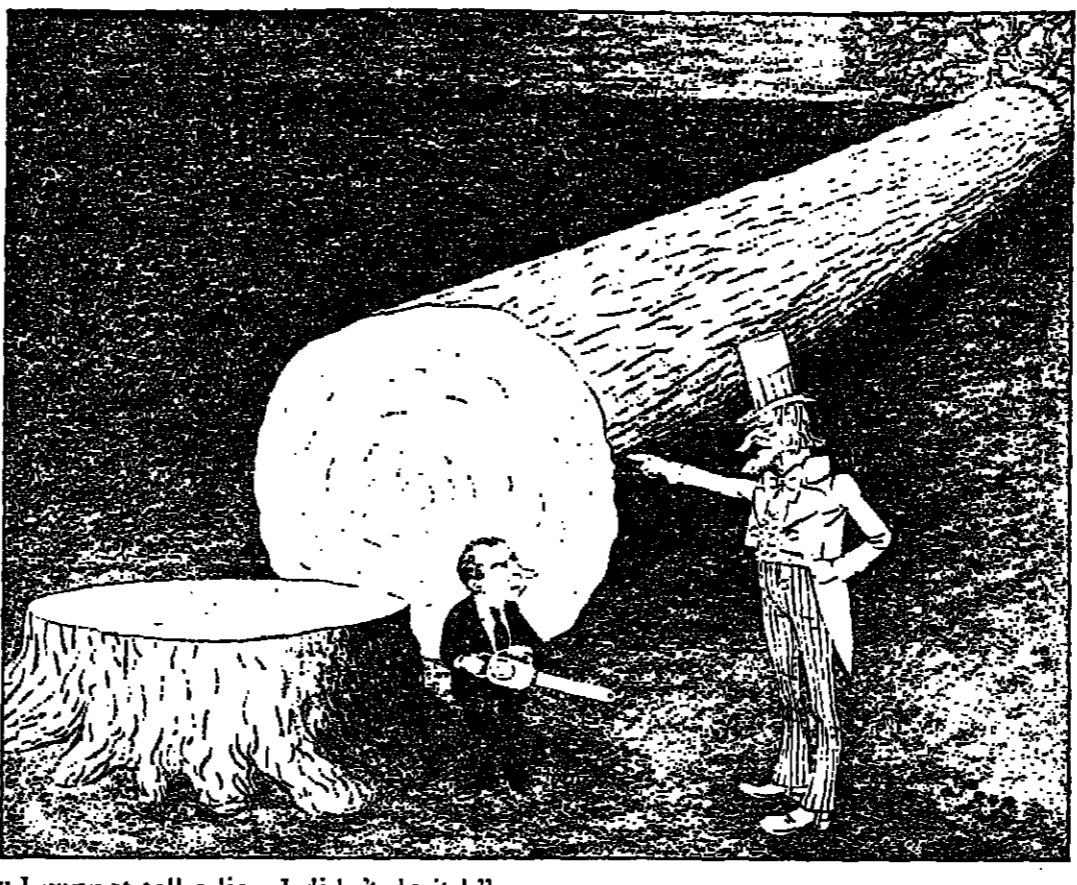
Bonn to consult allies
Berlin dispute

Our Correspondent
Aug 7
West German Government will consult the Western allies before deciding on its course in the controversy over East Germany's opening of a transit route between West and East Berlin, a cabinet spokesman said...
Yesterday, however, lorries were kept waiting at some East German autobahn checkpoints for about an hour for no apparent reason before being allowed to proceed...
Meanwhile, after a nine-year break, the Federal Republic of Germany and Syria resumed diplomatic relations today...
In announcing the resumption of relations with Damascus the Foreign Ministry in Bonn said that ambassadors will be exchanged as soon as possible...
This makes the Yemen Arab Republic the only Arab state which has not yet resumed relations with Bonn.

OVERSEAS

Milk scandal
lawyer
pleads guilty
to bribery

From Barry Kalb
Washington, Aug. 7
Jake Jacobsen, a former lawyer for the nation's largest milk producing cooperative, today pleaded guilty to a charge that he gave Mr. Connally, former Treasury Secretary, a \$10,000 (£4,200) bribe...
Mr. Jacobsen's plea, part of a deal worked out with the Watergate special prosecutor's office, is the second in a week implicating Mr. Connally in the alleged bribery...
Mr. Harold Nelson, former general manager for the Associated Milk Producers, pleaded guilty to a charge of participating in a broad scheme of illegal campaign contributions and paying an alleged \$10,000 for Mr. Connally...
In addition, Bob Lilly, Mr. Nelson's former assistant, has been cooperating with the prosecutors under a grant of immunity from prosecution and is expected to support Mr. Jacobsen's and Mr. Nelson's testimony about Mr. Connally...
Both Mr. Jacobsen and Mr. Connally were indicted nine days ago on bribery charges—Mr. Jacobsen for allegedly giving Mr. Connally a \$10,000 bribe, Mr. Connally for allegedly accepting the money in two \$5,000 payments. Mr. Connally also is charged with one count of conspiracy to obstruct justice and commit perjury, and two counts of giving false testimony to a grand jury. The former Democrat has denied the charges and is due to be arraigned on Friday morning...
Mr. Jacobsen entered his plea without fanfare this morning before Judge George Hart...
Mr. Jacobsen now faces a possible sentence of two years in prison and a \$10,000 fine. No date was set for sentencing...
The alleged plot, as outlined in last week's indictment, took place in the spring of 1971, after President Nixon—largely through Mr. Connally's urging—decided to raise the federal milk price support level...
The indictment charges that Mr. Jacobsen then asked Mr. Lilly for \$10,000, telling Mr. Lilly that it was to pay off Mr. Connally for the favour he had done the milk industry...
The charge to which Mr. Nelson pleaded guilty last week said that Mr. Lilly, on receiving the request from Mr. Jacobsen, went to Mr. Nelson to ask if the payment should be made, and Mr. Nelson gave his approval.—Washington Star-News.



"I cannot tell a lie—I didn't do it!"
From the London Evening Standard

Greek spirit crumbling
under fierce shelling

From Paul Martin
The Laphthos road, Cyprus,
Aug 7
It seems only a matter of time before the Turks mop up this western tip of the Kyrenia Range. The Greek Cypriot front receded further today as the Turks intensified their bombardment of the remaining few Greek villages. After two days of the heaviest shelling since the ceasefire, National Guardsmen are putting up a defiant resistance on the coast road...
However, the retreat has begun. The remaining Greek defence is thin. As I sheltered from mortars exploding round a Greek Cypriot artillery post on the road, a Greek mainland officer arrived from the west...
He was the first I had seen at the front all day. There is talk of the Greek mainland officers leaving their men to face the Turkish onslaught. But any suggestion of this only arouses anger among the weary Cypriots...
Even the United Nations has gone. The area is safe for no one. Those manning the new Greek front lines are unaware of rockets of their infantry still holding out in the no-man's land created by the Turkish shelling. These do not know whether the Turks are in front or behind them. Only the seemingly incessant Turkish shelling which showered the coastal strip for most of the morning lends any pattern to the battle...
On the approach road from Myrrou, hundreds of Greek Cypriot infantrymen beat a retreat. They were tired, dusty and looked despondent. Their helmets were askew and there were few smiles. This is the second and more pronounced phase of what began yesterday. Those who braved the barrage that was laid down on Tuesday faced an even more fierce attack today...
This was one of the last National Guard outposts overlooking the town of Laphthos—the target that succumbed to Turkish might last night. From early morning it was subjected to a pounding from Turkish shells as the advance westwards by the invaders neared its final stage. Damage is heavy. Two houses were set alight and smoke billowed from them...
Units of the National Guard took to the hills round the village to set up new albeit defiant defence positions as the retreat prepared for the imminent retreat. The Turks are in full control of the towns of Karavas and Laphthos. It is believed that several Britons are among those left behind in Laphthos.

French Cabinet decides on
adual penal reform

Our Own Correspondent
Aug 7
French Cabinet returned to the thorny problem of the country's overloaded penal system while prison warders progressively back to work led at least partially by pay raises...
Instead of the wide-ranging reforms proposed by Jean Giscard d'Estaing, the Government agreed this stage to announce a series of measures on a smaller scale to be carried out gradually...
Among these are two reforms which would reduce the prison population. The first limit the time an accused can be held in prison trial to a maximum of 10 days. The second measure, Minister of Justice, for approval by Parliament, reforms the law on bad cheques...
With maximum penalties now reaching five years in jail for issuing a cheque with fraudulent intent, this is one of those offences which overload prisons...
The French commercial banks will in future be required to take stricter precautions when issuing cheque books to new customers. They will even have to cover the bad cheques when they can be proved negligent in not alerting the Bank of France about fraudulent customers...
A large proportion of the French prison population is now made up of persons not even convicted. Reducing their number is one of the most widely accepted reforms, especially when the prisons very often keep hardened criminals together with those theoretically still innocent.

ANC to reject Smith invitation

From Our Correspondent
Salisbury, Aug 7
Bishop Muzorewa, president of the African National Council, said today he had been invited by Mr. Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, to attend his proposed round-table conference, but he is to reject the invitation...
The ANC leader told Mr. Ronald Golden, political reporter of the Rhodesian Herald, in an interview today that the "indaba", as it is now being called, was unnecessary and what Rhodesia needed was a properly constituted constitutional conference under the chairmanship of Britain. He said the ANC, like Mr. Smith, had been in regular touch with the British Government...
Bishop Muzorewa said he had received a letter of invitation to the indaba before the ANC's national executive meeting in Salisbury last Sunday. The executive unanimously agreed with the bishop that the organization would play no part in the indaba. When Mr. Smith announced it during the last session of parliament, he said it would be irresponsible of the ANC not to attend...
Bishop Muzorewa said today that if a constitutional conference were called he would insist on detained nationalist leaders in Rhodesia being allowed to attend. It is believed the bishop had in mind Mr. Joshua Nkomo and the Rev. Abubakar Sibhelo. Enlarging on his demand for a full-scale conference, Bishop Muzorewa said he believed that as Britain was a third party in the settlement dispute it should be included and, in fact, chair such a conference. Mr. Smith has already said he is chairing his conference...
"The conference we want should not be chaired by the ANC or the Rhodesian Front because we are the quarrelling parties", he said. "The British Government would be neutral."

Angola groups seek unity for liberty talks

From Our Correspondent
Lusaka, Aug 7
With independence promised for Guinea-Bissau and Mozambique, the third Portuguese African territory, Angola, is now searching urgently for unity among its nationalist movements in order to negotiate its own freedom...
The man most likely to succeed him is Mr. Daniel Chipenda, a former professional football player in Portugal, who lives now in Lusaka and has succeeded in recent months in winning the support of the heads of state of Zambia, Zaire, Tanzania and Congo...
The Portuguese are ready to negotiate on independence, but they do not know with whom to negotiate. With three different freedom movements fighting in Angola that problem was already difficult, but now with the main movement split there is nothing the Portuguese can do until the liberation movements themselves find some unity...
Should the MPLA elect new leaders at the meeting tomorrow without too much dissension, it is believed that the other two movements, the National Front for the Liberation of Angola (FNLA) and Unita, will be ready to join it in talks with the Portuguese.

Warning from Greece that
Geneva talks may collapse

Continued from page 1
at all costs, even in the face of Turkish violations of the first tripartite agreement, the conference may break up tomorrow night and the Greek delegation would fly to New York at once to bring the matter before the United Nations...
The Greek authorities refused to disclose the whereabouts of Mr. Nicos Sampson, who was appointed President of Cyprus after the July 15 coup by the Greek-officered National Guard, and who resigned a week later...
Mr. Sampson was identified by Greek journalists when he disembarked from the passenger ship Jason at the restricted military area of St George, west of Piraeus, at 5 am today...
One reporter claimed Mr. Sampson was overheard saying to a coastguard officer: "The priest [Archbishop Makarios] got everything upside down. I have tape recordings of his suspicious conversations with the British..."
The Greek Government announced today that it was purging all Greek embassies abroad of "non-diplomatic redundant personnel" appointed by the dictatorial regimes. The Government also announced the closing down of extraordinary courts martial set up by the regime to deal with security offences under the martial law...
Our Diplomatic Staff writes: Mr. Callaghan, the Foreign Secretary, will get down to work on the new phase of the Cyprus talks immediately on arrival in Geneva...
The first objective, at the opening session of the conference between the British, Greek and Turkish governments, will be to reinforce the ceasefire arrangements in Cyprus. It is obvious that until there is confidence in the ceasefire holding firm there can be no progress on the political side...
The central issue concerns the reduction of forces in the island. The longer-term objective is to launch the constitutional discussions...
Istanbul, Aug 7.—Turkey will propose at the Geneva talks that Cyprus be divided geographically into autonomous Greek and Turkish Cypriot administrations, a Government spokesman said today after a five-and-a-half-hour cabinet meeting.—UPI.

ports anger
rman farmers

ri, Aug 7.—Nearly 5,000 German farmers used tractors near Paris today to protest against imports of wine and to demand government aid...
The farmers blocked traffic on the West German and Luxembourg borders. The authorities had authorized their obstruction at the Perle crossing point.—Agence Presse.

Football club
fan knifed

Bruges, Aug 7.—A Belgian waiter has been charged with attacking a Manchester United supporter who was wounded with a knife during disturbances in Ostend...
The wounded man, Peter Brunt, aged 23, is himself under arrest in Bruges Prison with five other United supporters on charges of assault, causing injury and using violence to destroy property.—Reuter.



Graduation Day
The excitement of the great day can be quite intense, particularly after maybe months of waiting. And whether the honour has been awarded in a... company, or is unashamedly self-bestowed, the pleasure and sense of achievement is the same... There is nothing quite like a Jaguar, and no other car offers the same combination of superb engineering...
Jaguar

OVERSEAS

France reviews arms sales after Sadat admission on use of Mirage jets in October war

From Richard Wigg Paris, Aug 7.—President Sadat's admission that Mirage fighters sold by France to Libya fought for Egypt in the Middle East war last October acutely embarrassed the French Government today. It also came awkwardly for Mr Ismail Fahmy, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, who is on an official visit to Paris.

Government spokesman announced what may be a reformulation of France's arms export policy in the Middle East. This has been chiefly distinguished until now by an embargo on sales to Israel.

The influential newspaper Al Gomhouria said: "It is surprising that the Libyan Command should let itself fall into the trap and become a tool for its implementation and fruition. There can be no excuse for this behaviour by the Libyan Command."

Israel jets bomb Lebanon twice

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, Aug 7.—Israeli Air Force jets bombed Palestinian guerrilla targets in "Fatahland" across the Lebanese border today. The first strike at 1 am was at Kherbeib Junction and the second at 2.10 pm was against objectives in the south.

Communists take district capital in S Vietnam

Saigon, Aug 7.—Communist forces today captured the South Vietnamese district capital of Thuong Duc after bitter fighting in mountainous terrain, military sources reported.

Plan to deprive Ethiopian Emperor of powers

Addis Ababa, Aug 7.—Emperor Haile Selassie of Ethiopia would lose his autocratic power over the Government and armed forces under a draft constitution now being studied in Addis Ababa, reliable sources said today.

Man walks on top of New York

New York, Aug 7.—A Frenchman today defied winds and the sea yesterday with his 1,350ft twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York.

Sea law talks warned of move by US

Caracas, Aug 7.—Two American senators shook the United Nations conference on the law of the sea yesterday with their announcement of unilateral moves planned by the Americans in exploitation of sea resources.

Senate threat renewed to Whitlam laws even at cost of further dissolution

From Herbert Mishael Melbourne, Aug 7.—The joint sitting of the Australian Parliament in Canberra concluded tonight after passing all six Bills proposed by the Labour Government.

Three Peronis shot dead in factional fe

La Plata, Aug 7.—Three wing Peronists were shot today in a new upsurge of violence between right and left factions in the ruling Radical Movement.

Black miners killed

Johannesburg, Aug 7.—Black mineworkers died in an underground accident today at Carltonville mine.

Israel jets bomb Lebanon twice

From Moshe Brilliant Tel Aviv, Aug 7.—Israeli Air Force jets bombed Palestinian guerrilla targets in "Fatahland" across the Lebanese border today.

Man walks on top of New York

New York, Aug 7.—A Frenchman today defied winds and the sea yesterday with his 1,350ft twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York.

Sea law talks warned of move by US

Caracas, Aug 7.—Two American senators shook the United Nations conference on the law of the sea yesterday with their announcement of unilateral moves planned by the Americans in exploitation of sea resources.

Senate threat renewed to Whitlam laws even at cost of further dissolution

From Herbert Mishael Melbourne, Aug 7.—The joint sitting of the Australian Parliament in Canberra concluded tonight after passing all six Bills proposed by the Labour Government.



Philippe Petit, with balancing pole, during his stroll between the 1,350ft twin towers of New York's World Trade Centre.

Man walks on top of New York

New York, Aug 7.—A Frenchman today defied winds and the sea yesterday with his 1,350ft twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York.

Sea law talks warned of move by US

Caracas, Aug 7.—Two American senators shook the United Nations conference on the law of the sea yesterday with their announcement of unilateral moves planned by the Americans in exploitation of sea resources.

Senate threat renewed to Whitlam laws even at cost of further dissolution

From Herbert Mishael Melbourne, Aug 7.—The joint sitting of the Australian Parliament in Canberra concluded tonight after passing all six Bills proposed by the Labour Government.

Concorde cuts time to Ira in half

Teheran, Aug 7.—The sonic Concorde airliner cutting 700 miles from London to Tehran in half today, said a senior Iranian official.

Man walks on top of New York

New York, Aug 7.—A Frenchman today defied winds and the sea yesterday with his 1,350ft twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York.

Sea law talks warned of move by US

Caracas, Aug 7.—Two American senators shook the United Nations conference on the law of the sea yesterday with their announcement of unilateral moves planned by the Americans in exploitation of sea resources.

Senate threat renewed to Whitlam laws even at cost of further dissolution

From Herbert Mishael Melbourne, Aug 7.—The joint sitting of the Australian Parliament in Canberra concluded tonight after passing all six Bills proposed by the Labour Government.

Three Peronis shot dead in factional fe

La Plata, Aug 7.—Three wing Peronists were shot today in a new upsurge of violence between right and left factions in the ruling Radical Movement.

Black miners killed

Johannesburg, Aug 7.—Black mineworkers died in an underground accident today at Carltonville mine.

BUSINESS NOTICES

Readers are recommended to take appropriate professional advice before entering obligations.

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 001548 of 1973. IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE...

LEGAL NOTICES

No. 001809 of 1974. IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE...

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of F. W. GARDNER & SONS Limited and in the Matter of the Companies Act 1948...

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of L. A. BONE DEVELOPMENT (PROPERTIES) Limited and in the Matter of the Companies Act 1948...

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of the Companies Act 1948 in the Matter of THE B. S. BUILDERS Limited...

LEGAL NOTICES

In the Matter of the Companies Act 1948 in the Matter of THE B. S. BUILDERS Limited...

BUSINESS FOR SALE

ACTIVE AND INTELLIGENT PERSON. PREFERABLY WITH ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS.

PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO

Dark room and view card business. London area.

PLANT AND MACHINERY

GENERATOR SET, 330 kw second hand good condition. 25,500.

MISCELLANEOUS FINANCIAL

Final Dividend 1974. THE COMPANY OF SYDNEY LIMITED.

BUSINESSES FOR SALE

DOMESTIC BUREAU S.W.3. 6000 lease, 6750 p.a. suit expansion and etc. immediate.

PLANT AND MACHINERY

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ACT 1948 and of the PRINTING and BOOKBINDING Industry...

CONTRACTS AND TENDERS

DEMOCRATIC AND POPULAR REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA. MINISTRY OF HIGHER EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH.

FOR SALE

A complete plant for producing the old fashioned pipe smoking pipes which is capable of producing 1,000,000 pieces per year.



Appointments Vacant

GENERAL VACANCIES

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN MUSIC AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

We are looking for an

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

WHO IS WELL EDUCATED AND WILL TAKE A LIVELY INTEREST IN SERVICING 2 COMMITTEES.

This may be a graduate but applications from those with suitable training and some experience would be welcome.

The work will include encouraging the training of choir leaders and organizing regional conferences and planning study tours for overseas visitors and exchange visits with women's organizations in other countries.

Salary within the scale £2,025-£3,225 per annum plus L.V.s £1.25 per week, generous holiday and pension scheme.

APPLICANTS (ENVELOPES MARKED PRIVATE) INCLUDING A CURRICULUM VITAE, SHOULD BE SENT BEFORE 2ND SEPTEMBER 1974 TO: MRS. A. BALLARD, NFWI, 39 ECCLESTON STREET, LONDON SW1W 9NT.

NAYC COMMUNITY INDUSTRY

wish to recruit an

AREA MANAGER

(salary £2,918.00 inclusive of London weighting and thresholds)

AREA PERSONNEL OFFICER

(salary £2,062.28 inclusive of London weighting and thresholds)

IN CAMDEN AND ISLINGTON

Community Industry is an experimental government granted organisation employing young people, who, finding difficulty in maintaining employment, are employed on environmental and community projects...

Application forms together with job specifications and further details of the scheme are obtainable from the Personnel Officer, Community Industry, King House, 11 Westbourne Grove, London W2 4UA (Tel.: 01-229 9713).

JOBS IN BOATING JOURNALISM

We need... 1. A five-wire Journalist/Sub-Editor to help with the production of Practical Power, a new magazine to be published as a sister to the highly successful Practical Boat Owner...

CLERKS

Continuous expansion of the Tilling Group has created a need for more clerks in the PENSIONS DEPARTMENT

THOMAS TILLING LTD

The work is interesting and worthwhile. Previous experience is not essential but would be helpful. Age group 18 to 23. Holiday arrangements will be according to age, experience and ability.

OFFICE MANAGER

Office Manager is required to attend to the day to day running of the Grosvenor Office in Mayfair, close to Bond Street Tube Station.

MARKETING TRAINEE

dynamic marketing group strong overseas interests an energetic young man or woman of sensible temperament and pleasant appearance to help with reservations; methodical approach and ability to work to cost when necessary are more important than academic qualifications.

GRANADA TELEVISION

7-10 for Star role Applications in writing only and please include a collection of 10 photographs.

INTERNATIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Agents for Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, etc. in the hotel and tourist industry. We are looking for a dynamic, energetic, and ambitious person to join our staff.

CAPABLE PERSON

required to take charge in small office. Age 20-30. Must be a confident worker and interested in magazines generally. Good knowledge of typewriting and shorthand essential. Please write to: The Editor, Readers & Contributors, House, Valence Road, London, SW1V 2NF.

CAR OWNERS

21 to 35, as driver, must be a confident worker and interested in magazines generally. Good knowledge of typewriting and shorthand essential. Please write to: The Editor, Readers & Contributors, House, Valence Road, London, SW1V 2NF.

ACCOUNTANCY

Successful applicant will be aged about 30 and will be responsible for preparing draft accounts and financial reports, balancing the firm's accounts, budgetary control and analysis, job costs, V.A.T. and all staff administration, i.e. PAYE, insurances, etc. There are 100 staff in four offices and the ability to get on well with people is essential.

ACCOUNTANT

is required by a firm of Consulting Engineers in their Oxford office. Vacancy arises because of the transfer of this Department from London in October 1974.

TEACHERS OF FRENCH AND GERMAN

First class language school in Pall Mall seeks full and part-time teachers of French and German starting September '74.

TUTORS

required in September for A Level and University Entrance courses. Full time, part time, or evening. Salary £100 per week.

Build a management career in today's Civil Service

Prospects to over £6000 Promotion to over £4000 Nearly £3300 at 27 £2150 in 3 years Over £1700 at 18

Within one of the 50 Government Departments you could find a career that makes the best possible use of your talents. You would be well paid for doing a job you enjoy. There's a wide range of different kinds of work to choose from and you'd have opportunities to gain experience of several of these during your career.

How far and how fast you progress will depend chiefly on the quality of the work you produce, but here is an example of the career you could reasonably look forward to in the London headquarters of a Government Department. At 18 your salary would be over £1700. After three years this would rise to over £2150 and you could be in charge of a small team. In another year you'd be in line for promotion and if you got it at the first attempt you would be earning almost £3300.

Table with 2 columns: Career Stage (e.g., 18, 21, 27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 42, 45, 48, 51, 54, 57, 60) and Salary/Status (e.g., Over £1700 at 18, Nearly £3300 at 27, £2150 in 3 years, Over £6000, Promotion to over £4000, Prospects to over £6000).

Under 28. 2 'A' levels or OND

Table with 2 columns: Career Stage (e.g., 18, 21, 27, 30, 33, 36, 39, 42, 45, 48, 51, 54, 57, 60) and Salary/Status (e.g., Over £1700 at 18, Nearly £3300 at 27, £2150 in 3 years, Over £6000, Promotion to over £4000, Prospects to over £6000).

Accountancy Overseas Aid Computer Programming Welfare Recruitment Public Safety Industrial Relations Imports and Exports Languages Auditing

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS

ALANGATE LEGAL STAFF have many years' experience of dealing with most forms of solicitors in London and the U.K. enabling us to give a personal service to all solicitors and other legal staff from outside clients to partners looking for careers in private practice. We are charged to applicants to be confidential. Interview telephone 01-235 7200. Write to: Mrs. R. M. Edwards or Mrs. Joyce, 01-235 7200. 200 Tottenham Court Road, W.1P. 2 (off Kingsway).

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY UNITED KINGDOM CHEMICAL INFORMATION SERVICE BIOCHEMISTS

are required at U.K.C.I.S., based in Nottingham. Duties will include abstracting and indexing of scientific publications. A good degree is essential and post graduate or industrial experience would be an advantage.

PUBLIC AND EDUCATIONAL APPOINTMENTS COLLEGE OF ESTATE MANAGEMENT CENTRE FOR ADVANCED LAND USE STUDIES Assistant to the Director

This is a demanding post offering varied and stimulating work, and involving the planning and operation of a programme of post-qualification education for surveyors and other experts concerned with property and land use and development.

THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND INDONESIA TEACHER (MALE) URGENTLY REQUIRED AS CHIEF INSTRUCTOR FOR VOCATIONAL TRAINING CENTRE, JOMBANG.

Male age group 20 to 45 years. This appointment is more suitable for single applicants prepared to work in rural areas. Subjects covered include: basic education, administration, carpentry, radio/television repairs, building. Applicants need not be experts in subjects listed but must have a minimum of 1 year's experience in vocational work with children. Salary paid: board and lodging provided. 35 days' local leave with transport allowances. Apply for details to: OVERSEAS PERSONNEL OFFICER, THE SAVE THE CHILDREN FUND, 157 CLAPHAM ROAD, LONDON SW9 0PT.

SALES AND MARKETING Young Sales Executive (PUBLISHING) SALARY £2,000 PER ANNUM

A major careers educational publishing company based in Cambridge has an opportunity for a young Sales Executive with entrepreneurial flair to join a small sales team promoting sophisticated recruitment media and services to British industry.

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS The University of the West Indies—Trinidad EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR—PROPOSED CARIBBEAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

Applications are invited for the post of Executive Director of the Caribbean Agricultural Research and Development Institute (CARDI) which is to be established by the member Governments of the Caribbean Community as the successor organisation to the Regional Research Centre of the Faculty of Agriculture of the University of the West Indies. The Institute has been established to serve the research and development needs of the region and will have its headquarters in St. Augustine, Trinidad, campus of the University of the West Indies.

TEACHERS OF FRENCH AND GERMAN First class language school in Pall Mall seeks full and part-time teachers of French and German starting September '74.

SICILY—CATANIA ENGLISH COLLEGE English Female Teachers are required to teach English to Italian students October 74. June 75. For further details and interview contact Dr. Leo Paci, West Centre Hotel, Little Italy, New York, N.Y. 10014. Tel: 212 555 1255 (Ave. 7, 8, 9) between 5.30-6.30 p.m.

MATHS TEACHER—I.A.P.S. School requires in September Master to teach maths and/or Science. Resident. Burnham St.—Apply to Headmaster, Lympna Place School, Hythe, Kent.

TWO PART-TIME MEN to teach General Subjects to small classes of 10-15 children boys at private grammar school. Through Thursday, 1.30-3.00 pm Fridays. Good salary and benefits. Please write to: Headmaster, Lympna Place School, Hythe, Kent.

SALES AND MARKETING MARKETING EXECUTIVE. Up to £5,000 p.a. See Women's App'ts. General.

English/FRENCH TECHNICAL TRANSLATOR

Kellogg International, the world-wide petrochemical organisation require an experienced English/French Technical Translator to work in their Central London Offices, a modern office block close to Baker Street Tube Station.

This appointment will be on a full-time basis for a period of up to two years, or could be even longer.

Applicants should have French as their mother tongue and be fluent in English; a knowledge of other languages would be an advantage. The person appointed will translate highly technical documents mainly from English to French and it is expected that he would have had several years experience as a Technical Translator, preferably in the petrochemical or allied industries.

An excellent salary will be offered together with first-class company benefits. For further details, please contact: Mrs. Anne Barnard, Kellogg International Corporation, Kellogg House, 62/72 Chiltern Street, London, W1M 2AD. Tel: 01-486 4444.

THE BRITISH MUSEUM ASSISTANT KEEPER Department of Coins and Medals

... to specialise in the field of the medal collection which includes a comprehensive series of both historical commemorative medals and examples of Renaissance art.

Candidates must have a degree with 1st or 2nd class honours or a postgraduate degree (preferably in a relevant area of numismatics) or an equivalent qualification. They must also have a knowledge of art history and general modern history, together with a good working knowledge of at least two modern foreign European languages and some knowledge of Latin. Experience in the history of medals art would be an advantage.

SALARY: AK 1st Class: starting at £3,660 and rising to around £5,900. AK 2nd Class: £2,150 to around £3,900 (starting may be above minimum). Level of appointment according to age, qualifications and experience. Non-contributory pension scheme.

For full details and an application form (to be returned by 6 September 1974) write to Civil Service Commission, Alconon Link, Basingstoke, Hants., RG21 1UB, or telephone BASINGSTOKE 2822 ext. 500 or LONDON 01-639 1982 (24 hour answering service), quoting G(A)382.

THE NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION DIRECTOR

The Newspaper Publishers Association is the Employers Association concerned with the production of National, Daily and Sunday newspapers produced in London and Manchester together with the two London Evening newspapers.

The Association wish to appoint a Director whose principal responsibility will be to lead Industrial Relations negotiations and to represent the Association to Government and Industry.

Applicants will be preferred who can show not only a detailed knowledge of the industrial relations procedures in the newspaper industry, but also practical experience in the administration of an employers and/or trade association. Experience within a newspaper office would be an advantage.

Candidates should already have high executive responsibilities and they must show a capacity for taking decisions often in circumstances of urgency. The man appointed will be expected to supervise and direct a specialized staff.

Salary and fringe benefits are negotiable but will be commensurate with the important nature of this position.

The Association invites those interested to write to the present Director by not later than 16th August, 1974, setting out their qualifications and experience. All replies will be treated in the strictest confidence.

Reply to: The Director, THE NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ASSOCIATION, 6 Boulevard Street, London EC4A 8AY.

North Sea Exploration COST ACCOUNTANT LONDON

TOTAL OIL MARINE, the U.K. exploration and production subsidiary of one of the world's oil majors is now rapidly expanding its North Sea activities. This expansion includes the development of its substantial gas field and related facilities.

We are seeking a cost accountant A.C.C.A./A.C.M.A. who is looking for career development; he will either be fully qualified or alternatively will have had greater experience (age 20-30) though being as yet not completely qualified. Reporting to the Chief Accountant, he will be expected to supervise all cost accounting and management information. A knowledge of computer systems would be advantageous. An ability to co-ordinate with the technical departments is necessary so that they can be furnished with the required information. The cost accountant will supervise a staff of 1-2.

Trips to the Paris Office are envisaged. Whilst some French is desirable a willingness to improve an existing knowledge is essential. Salary will be competitively negotiable dependent upon experience and will not be an obstacle in attracting the calibre of man required. Benefits will include pension scheme, life insurance and L.V.s. Please write or telephone for an application form and further details: N. V. HOLT, TOTAL OIL MARINE LTD., GLEN HOUSE, STAG PLACE, LONDON SW1E 8AY. TELEPHONE: 01-584 3838

P.A. TO DIRECTORS SOUTH EAST LONDON

The Marketing and Financial Director of a holding company, a subsidiary of an international company, require a personal assistant.

Main duties will include preparation of reports on subsidiaries, key company performance, information on business development, assessment of group sales performance and investment and evaluation of financial and other data.

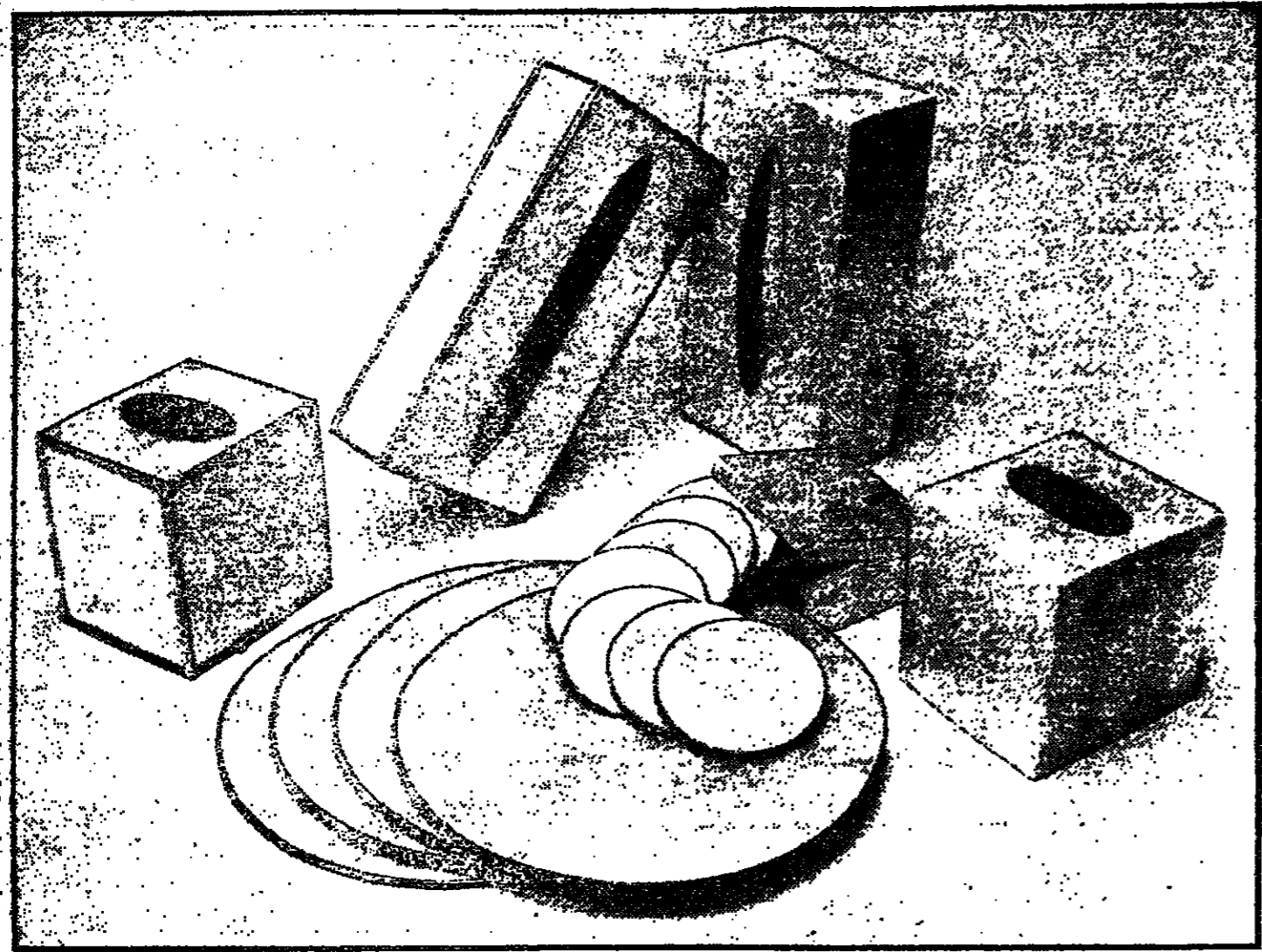
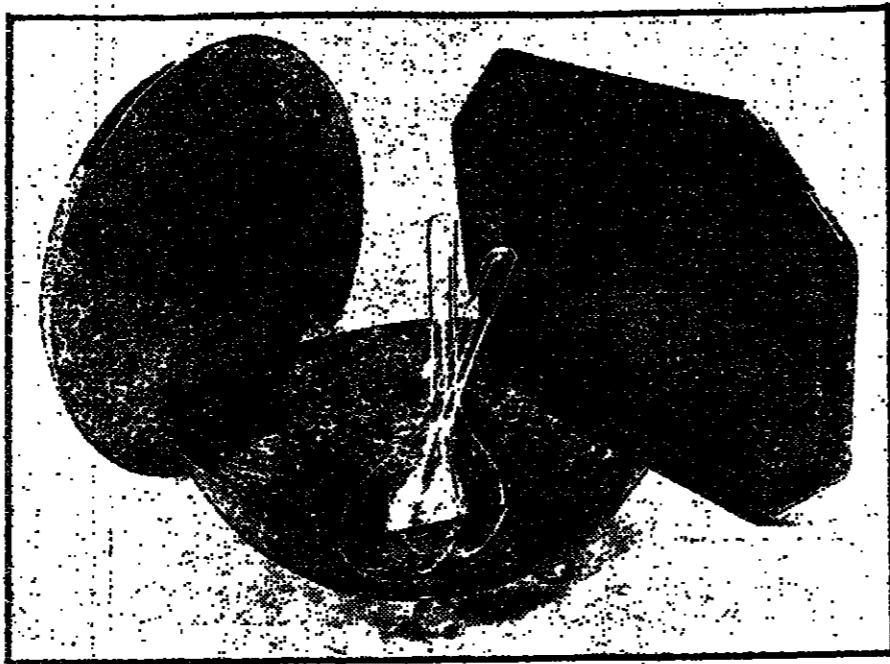
Candidate must have ability to communicate with executives up to Board level. The position would suit a fully qualified or business management graduate with recent experience in all fields of company control and administration.

Please write giving full details of your qualifications and experience to: Mrs. J. M. Jones, 157 Clapham Road, London SW9 0PT.

Shopping around Sheila Black

Perspex that is finished to look like tortoiseshell is made up into washable, usable, elegant salad bowls and trays to sell at John Siddaley, of 4 Harriet Street (just off the northerly part of Sloane Street), London, SW1. The bowls and servers are about £14 and the trays about £7. Ice buckets average £18.

Apart from the tortoiseshell-Perspex ice buckets, there are silvery ones, square ones, octagonal ones and a whole lot of others because this shop has made a speciality of ice buckets over the years. There is also an unusual range of mother-of-pearl pieces made up as place mats (£3 each); tissue boxes with brass trim (£8.50 or £6, according to size and cheaper if without trim), and little boxes. Photograph frames, also in the tortoiseshell finish, would do justice to favourite photographs.



When Lego and Playlax put interlocking, coloured plastic pieces into toy packs they triggered off a whole lot of imitations. Most of them failed to get any new ideas or to reproduce the original excitement for young children. There are, however, two newcomers that children do like. The very young can play "Magic Tree" which is a variation on the slotted plastic theme. Flat, smooth, coloured plastic leaves, branches, butterflies and flowers are added to a tree trunk when the appropriate symbol is thrown on the dice. Any number up to four children can play to finish the whole thing is good value at £1.50 the box from all good toy stores. Distribution is pretty wide and the price is reasonable. The other plastic pack is Popalok and this gives youthful imagination full rein. The pack contains wheels that really turn round, and all sorts of components that allow clocks, winds, suns, and patterns to be made as well as little houses or trucks. The various children love it. The big pack is pretty reasonably priced at £3.87 in most shops. Buy it, if not in your local shop, by post from Hamleys for 45p extra (yes, that's a lot but it is large and heavy).

Hamley's address is 200, 202 Regent Street, London W1R 5DF. There are only large sets as yet but smaller, add-on sets may follow.



The girls in the office have found a new love and the men do not resent it. His name is Chatter Chimp and he is just leaving the Pedigree factories for the shops—distribution is picking up now and he should be all over the country within the next two or three weeks. Chatter Chimp is a soft toy and fairly cuddly, but rather too funny to be merely an object of affection although his long-lashed eyes open and close appealingly. He can be hung on red plastic rings that slip over his hands and swung to and fro while he chatters. I cannot quite make out what sets off his random phrases—he seems to repeat some and then vary them. The favourite and most repeated is "Here's a banana, munch, munch." He peels off into laughter, invites a visit to the circus, asks if we can be friends, decries himself as a silly monkey nut and generally entertains. He asks to be swung again and demands to know where the tea party is. He is about 21 inches tall and he is now turning up at Hamleys. Debenhams toy departments, Lewis's group stores, Selfridges, and elsewhere. He is £3.99 so will be only for a minority. I imagine. And he is being marketed by Pedigree Toys, Market Way, Canterbury, Kent.

With fuel bills rising astronomically, it is important to think of conserving heat and energy so that we continue to have comfort without waste. Just switching off frequently is not always the answer. A good many thermostatic systems can be more expensive to run if switched off and asked to heat up again. Maintaining heat can be cheaper.

At London's Design Centre (28 Haymarket, London, SW1), there is an exhibition called "Warmth without Waste". It covers simple things like draught excluders as well as lesser-known heat pumps and thermal wheels. The show is sponsored jointly with the Electricity Council and runs until August 31.

How to make a Duvet

Continental Quilt

All you need is a speciality... Continental Quilt... How to make a Duvet... Continental Quilt... How to make a Duvet...

Only on Sundays... used to be the refrain of Persian Carpet Wharf, and it tempted many a customer down to buy oriental decoration for the floor. Trading hours are between 9 am and 2 pm and the address is Regent's Canal Dock, Mill Place, off Commercial Road, London E14 (telephone 01-493 7474).

Luckily, I have never needed a get-me-home breakdown service but I have a membership card just in case. Mine is with a firm that a number of Times readers have praised to me. The National Breakdown Recovery Club is the name and it is at 21A, Claremont, Bradford, Yorkshire ED7 1BB. Leaflets are sent on request.

BOOKS

A private kind of magic

Michael Rafter

Caspar David Friedrich By Helmut Börsch-Supan Translated by Sarah Twhigg (Hames and Hudson, £10.50)



Caspar David Friedrich: self-portrait

The German landscape painter Caspar David Friedrich, born two hundred years ago next month, was almost the exact contemporary of Turner and Constable and died in 1840, six months before the birth of Monet. His work has a mystic, insoluble beauty, and an almost unparalleled power to disturb: nearly all of it has remained in Germany, where it has passed through the collections of the original owners, some of them princely, to the great public galleries of, in particular, Dresden, Hamburg and West Berlin.

An artist apparently owing little to his predecessors, nothing to his contemporaries, and leaving no major school to follow his example, Friedrich was almost unknown to the English public until the magnificent Tate exhibition of 1972, and Helmut Börsch-Supan's gorgeously illustrated study, more like a lantern show than a proper book, the first to appear outside the popular English market. A less expensive account is still needed.

Friedrich stands at the very heart of the Romantic movement. He was born on the Baltic coast and though settled in Dresden for the whole of his adult life, returned time and again to the natural forms and Northern light of his birthplace and, in particular, to the dramatic and pastoral visions on the Island of Rugen.

When a storm was raging fiercely and the highest, he would stand there, soaked to the skin by the spray or a sudden shower of rain, simply gazing at it all with a passionate expression on his face as if he could never get his fill. Whenever a storm with thunder and lightning moved over the cliffs as if he had a pact of friendship with the forces of nature, or even went on into the oak woods where the lightning had struck a tall tree from top to bottom, which led him to murmur: "how great, how mighty, how wonderful!"

He did not paint like that; but it is worth quoting this reminiscence at length, because it shows, as his work at first does, that the reflective Protestant from Pomerania ex-

perienced the same formative emotion of the day as Rousseau, Shelley or Keats. He transmuted the violence of his feelings towards the elemental infinities of Nature into paintings as precisely organized as a sonnet or a ritual prayer. The excluded elements remain unaccountably present in many of the paintings: one is simultaneously aware not only of the painted moment but of those many that preceded it and of the ways in which the scene is going to change the moment one takes one's eyes away.

Friedrich's art is a kind of dynamic stillness, in the depiction of transitional states: dawn, sunset, mist snow. Critical opinion has paid Friedrich increasing attention in recent years, as his ability to compress and simplify (shared by his contemporary Blake, as the natural Romantic precursor of Mondrian's linear reductions and Rothko's tense and shimmering blocks of atmosphere) "Hardly ever do we find a painter who contemplates nature in this way," writes Fritz Novotny, "as if he were holding his breath." The triumph of Friedrich's art is that

he communicates this awe directly to us. The effect is almost psychic, and it is very rough: it survives all attempts at rationalization. One of the most characteristic features of the Tate show was the sight of spectators catching their breath as they looked at Börsch-Supan's catalogue notes for further information, raising them again to the picture, frowning, shrugging and passing on. For Dr Börsch-Supan, also co-author of the catalogue last year, clips Friedrich's art like a fierce hedge. He is determined to dissolve all the mysteries essential to our experience of it by applying to each of 50 paintings a symbolic key as simple as the alphabet, and in the absence of any serious argument, both eccentric and bland.

A Friedrich ship stands for human existence; a rock for faith; the sky is eternity. A poplar usually means death; a birch is resurrection; a pine Christian steadfastness in the journey from this world to the next. The moon is Christ, a hat thrown to the ground a sign of humility. (Why? A path is the path of earthly life, a serene range of

mountains another vision of mortality. Death hovers over this and much like it, is interesting as far as it goes, for all his talk about nature, Dr Börsch-Supan goes into like far enough. A £10.50 would seem an ideal price for the "extensive subtraction of this symbolic content" for lack of space in the Tate catalogue, but chance is passed up; therefore of white space and type. Friedrich led a measured life, and he remained essentially young from the age of about 30 but there must be more to us about the forces that limit him than consistency. Not modern scholars, for example, have assumed his poetry to be so simple as Dr Börsch-Supan: there is the wild pantheist storming seas of Rugen. Of the brilliant original colourist and reed of intensified light Dr Börsch-Supan's short essay and caper but the occasional glimpse of the Romantic element of the "On the days that he is painting air he may be spoken to!" warned the wife he married at 44) his resistant computer. In fact, introductory text to a still familiar great artist which plain title leads one to expect Caspar David Friedrich to do.

What makes it still so able to all scholars, amateurs of the Romantic is that it reproduces in colour a greater extent than before one book a large number masterpieces now scarce through the galleries of West Germany from Munich to Kiel (Britain has two, in the Ashmolean). Some of the paintings, reduced so much that they are referred to by the number are invisible anyway, at least two—Landscape with a Hunter (1811) and Rügen (1835)—have grainy acquired tiny orange donut rings to which I looked in vain for some useful explanation, but in their combination of pass serenity and intense communion gives nothing but awe and delight. It is a peculiar private kind of magic, an amount of laboratory analysis going to break its spell.

Poetry

There are few enough authentic poets at any time to make the task of discovering and trying to define them difficult—without bothering with the names of Gollancz yellow, or whether their stiches are up to the standard of tailoring we expect from Oxford University Press. All the same, the activities of one contemporary publishing house have now reached such a pitch that I feel something must be said about it.

Carcanet Press began a few years ago by publishing pamphlets and first collections by a handful of vaguely Oxford-orientated young men. Now, from an unlikely address (266 Councillor Lane, Cheddle Hulme, Cheshire SK8 5PN), it is publishing under its various imprints new and old work of much variety and resourcefulness. Elizabeth Daryush, the daughter of Robert Bridges and virtual inventor of syllabic verse, was rediscovered by this firm. They re-publish HD, their priestess of Imagism, in her later manifestation as a visionary of the future. The issue two months ago what is already being recognized as one of the most important volumes of collected poems to appear since the war—C. H. Sisson's *In the Trojan Ditch*. Criticism and translation have not been neglected by Carcanet either. And the second volume of the

book-form magazine *Poetry Nation*, published twice yearly under their aegis, is now in the shops (£2.90 annual subscription).

The back cover of a Carcanet book reads these days with something of the authority which Faber books used to possess in Eliot's prime. Their authors are a roll-call of achievement and promise. Within this house there is plainly an informed and enthusiastic passion for poetry, and a commitment to poetry which cares more about the dialect of the tribe than the money in the bank. Passion and commitment have not been so popular among publishers, or common in their minions, that the literary world can afford to ignore them.

Besides *Poetry Nation*, which contains the best new poem for years from the pen of Elizabeth Jennings, and good poems by Gareth Reeves, Douglas Dunn, Daniel Weissbour, Stewart Conn and Roger Garfit, as well as some brilliant, sceptical criticism, notably by Colin Falck on Robert Lowell—five new Carcanet titles before me. George Kendrick's *Bicycle Type in a Tall Tree* (£2 and £1.25) is the most interesting—a first collection by a young poet with an educated ear and a gift of thinking with his imagination. Kendrick tries on various suits from the British Home Stores of modernism, but his best suit is his own offhand sense of humour: "I would say a bicycle type in a tall tree has red nose, for there the birds will sing and all the buds break into what a good thing that was."

Humour is just what Jon Silkin lacks. *The Principle of Water* (Carcanet, £2.20 and £1.25) is his most extended selection for some time, and here, as before, his earnestly groping verses in praise of vegetables and water-wheels doing their stuff in the north country remind me too often of Erasmus. Silkin is like a boxer forever flexing his muscles and snarling at the air, but never hitting anything much. Perhaps a larger subject than self or slag-henge would help.

I have room only to mention the three other books as demonstrating Carcanet's versatility: *Yorkin' and the Stovemakers* (£2.50), poetry and prose by Alexander Tvardovsky, editor of *Novy Mir*, translated from the Russian by Anthony Rudolf; *Ten Anglo-Welsh Poets*, edited by Sam Adams (£2.50 and £1.25), which includes work by Gwyn Williams, Clyde Jones, Roland Mathias, Harri Webb, Leslie Norris, John Ormond, Raymond Garlick, John Tripp, Gillian Clarke, and John Pook; and *Ten Irish Poets*, edited by James Simmons (£2.50 and £1.25), which has work by its editor and George Buchanan, John Hewitt, Padraic Flacc, Pearse Hutchinson, Michael Hartnett, Eilean Ni Chuilleanáin, Michael Foley, Frank Ormsby, and Tom Mathews. These anthologies, published with support from various Arts Councils, do well to direct attention to distinctive vitalities outside the usual province of London.

Robert Nye

Fiction

The Sign By Robin Maughan (W. H. Allen, £2.25)

Boy By Christine de Rivoyre (Hamish Hamilton, £2.75)

A central character in Robin Maughan's latest novel is a young Hebrew visionary in Roman-occupied Palestine at the time when Caesar Tiberius was Emperor. The lad goes around Galilee preaching in parables, healing by touch and making such uncomfortably familiar remarks as: "I have come to lead the world from darkness into light... to bring peace to those who grieve and happiness to those who are oppressed." His disciples who give up their jobs to follow him include a fisherman and a publican. He is possessed by a vision that he is the long-expected Messiah and accordingly leads his followers up to Jerusalem. There, in addition to other traditional acts, he attacks the money-changers in the Temple, proclaims himself King of Israel and consequently gets himself crucified. His name is, it happens, Caleb, and any similarity between him and any living person is purely coincidental. The blurb-writer says, hopefully, that some may find the theme blasphemous and a challenge to the very basis of Christianity itself. No, so baby. This camp-gospel in the hystero-fictional footsteps of Robert Graves's *Claudius* is the

stuff of which *The Reader's Digest* desiccated, premissed books are made. It is no surprise to learn that a major film of the book is in preparation.

The events are seen, synoptically you might say, through the eyes of several witnesses, chiefly Joseph, a rich Jewish businessman whose ancestral home, naturally, is in Arimathea, and his secretary, companion and long-time lover, Rachel.

Robin Maughan is convincing about the life style and thought processes of that vanished world, separated from us by a great gulf, and yet greatly familiar from the New Testament. He is particularly persuasive about high-class furniture, the flora of first century Palestine and, in a decidedly nasty way, the mechanics of scourging and crucifixion. He is good on the convoluted jealousies of fading homosexual love, perceptive about the rich, a bit sentimental about the poor. No doubt *The Sign* could be considered to be in shocking bad taste: on the night before his crucifixion Caleb is visited carnally in his cell by a young Roman soldier. Such a reaction would be to take the book too seriously. The story with superficial similarities told in the New Testament is at once stranger and more credible. Christine de Rivoyre's *Boy* begs comparison with L. P. Hartley's *The Go-Between*. It has the same evocation of slow, hot, holiday summers long ago, when the sun really shone. It explores the same perilous old frontier between Upstairs and Downstairs. And it sees half the action through the eyes of a precocious child, knowing but also greedily per-

plexed about the anguishes of the adult world in which she is a visitor, not a resident. Madame de Rivoyre is a Circe at recapturing the sounds, smells and feel of a vanished world and the translation by Eileen Ellenbogen is admirable.

The Next-to-Last Train Ride by Charles Dennis (Macmillan, £1.95) can for once be precisely described as a picturesque romance since it does consist entirely of knaves, rogues and fools. The ride in question involves a coffin full of half a million greenies, a nymphomaniac with three breasts, and much other whimsy decorated with intellectual or socially concerned references to everything from Kafka to Water-gate, which is not so far, at that.

Sagittarius in Warsaw by Richard Lourie (Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £2.25). Whimsical American fairy story about a quest, following the yellow brick road, or, to be precise, the railway tracks in modern Poland. A young American husband gets separated from his wife and young son and walks to Warsaw he falls in with a sequence of grotesque and symbolic companions: a waiter who believes as a matter of principle that the best waiting is done by the customer; a Nazi circus master whose reptiles feed on human flesh and who comes to an end fit for an opponent of James Bond; an Indian mystic whose guru smokes filter-tips; and the secret police.

Philip Howard

Paperbacks

There are two principal ways to treat a historical novel. First is to do a quiet, steady, historical reconstruction, as in *Zoe Oldenbury: The King of the Kingdom* (Fontana), an extremely powerful affecting story of a group of Northern France who go on First Crusade. The second may be equally accurate, but planned as entertainment. *The Musketeers* by Alex Dumas (Pan, 50p) has an introduction by Anthony Bon outlining the life of the author and the ambitious shimmering "part blood, part red" (part are the four musketeers) company, but "Mildly Winter is better than the Wicked Ladies: *Gone With Wind* has been reissued Pan (95p); Margaret Mitchell first (and only) book ever then, novels about the War tend to seem like pale imitations, or sprigs from the extraneous singleton, as readable as Dorothy Dunnett; also her books for young and *The Ringed Castle* (95p) is the fifth (and penultimate) of a series in which hero, Francis Crawford Lympson, has a genuine war-time researches into the court of Queen Elizabeth I. Some breathtaking scenes such as the moonlit sledge with *retailer*—and a really breathtaking leap the plot. *Colossus*, by Stephen Marlowe (New English Library 90p) is difficult to categorise. The author spent nearly years in Spain, researching the life of Goya, but his researches into the genuine notoriously hard to write member *Last for Life*." "The light and the dark" the critic finally managed to get *Goed God*, or *the message of Dr. Dreier could have it, perhaps. Or Rembrandt: one else*.

"Mixture of acid and strength Pan's *Rembrandt*. But he started hiding a pleasant aren't like that. Historical truth is a thing of digging, and in a vital historical detective *Josephine Tey's The Daughter of Time* (Penguin, 30p), Al Grant, a policeman recruited from an injury into the *Strang Case of the Murdered Nephew* or was Richard III guilty? Scope for speculation is essence of a historical novel.

Philippa Toome

FOYLES ART GALLERY

The Buildings of England

AN EXHIBITION TO MARK THE PUBLICATION OF THE FINAL VOLUMES OF SIR NICHOLAS PEVISNER'S 'THE BUILDINGS OF ENGLAND' (Published by Penguin)

9-6 daily until Aug. 21 119-125 CHARING CROSS LONDON WC2

صكنا من الامم

ENTERTAINMENTS

When telephoning use prefix 01 only outside London Metropolitan Area

OPERA AND BALLET

COLLIERUM (850 3161): Evenings at 8.00. English National Opera. Tonight & Tues. next: LA TRAVIATA. ... MADAM BUTTERFLY.

THEATRES

PALLADIUM AT CHRISTMAS: Opening in 1974 for TOMMY STUELS as DANIEL MASSY. ... A LAYIN' MAN (New Musical).

CONCERTS

PROBES 74: Royal Albert Hall, 7.30. BBC Symphony Orchestra. Sir Charles Mackerras. ... THE MUSIC OF FRANZ LISZT.

THEATRES

WALBY: 856 2878. Evenings 8.0. Mat. 5.10. ... DIANACE: ALEX MOWEN in 'Barnaby Rudge'.

THEATRES

ROUND HOUSE: 267 2264. Limited Season. Evs. 8.0. ... (No Post. Aug. 13-19 incl.)

THEATRES

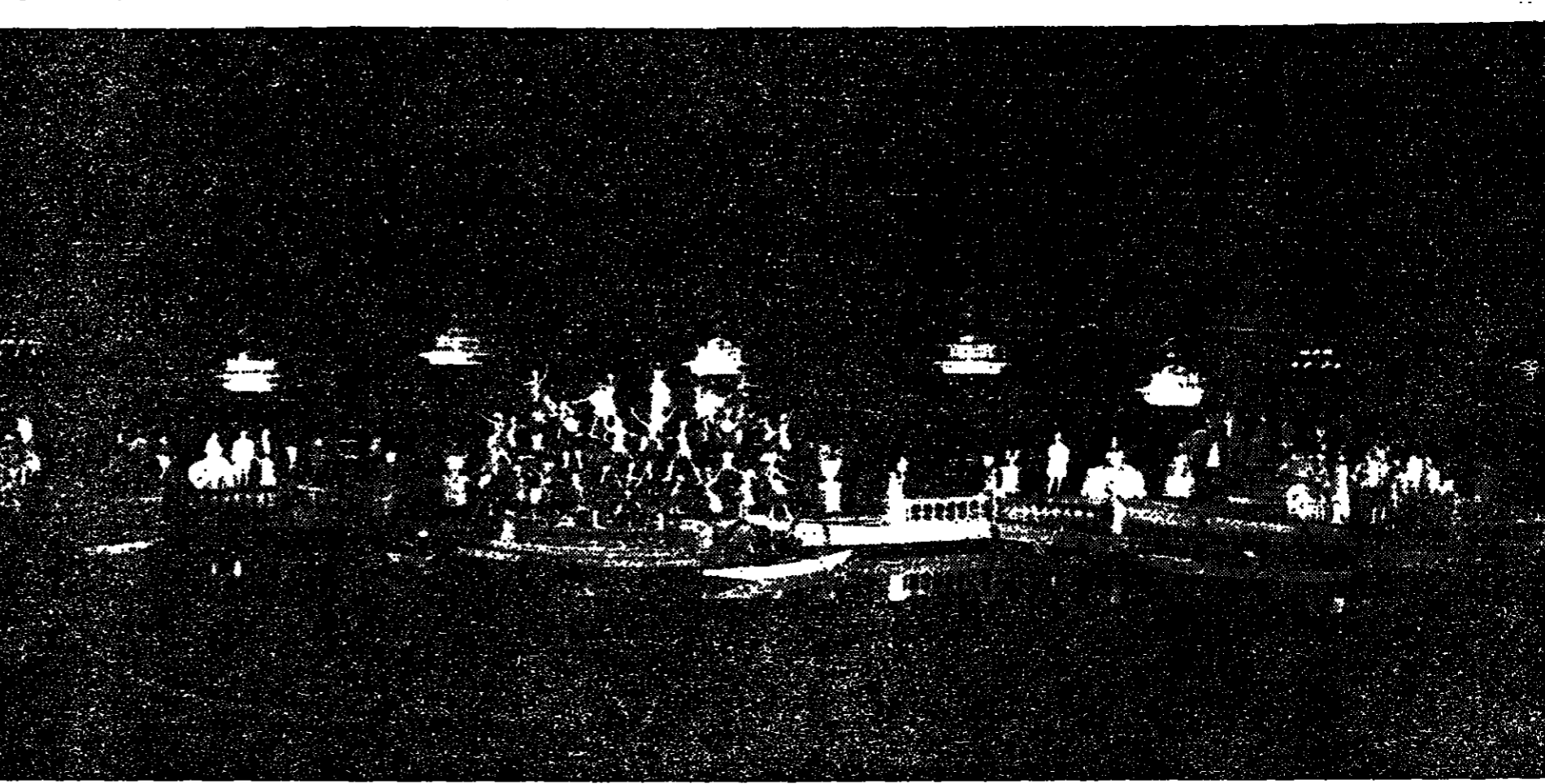
ALDWYCH: 856 6404. ... TRAVESTIES. ... THE SNAKE MESSIAH.

THE ARTS

AGNEW GALLERY: 45 Old Bond St. W.1. ... A SUMMER SELECTION OF DRAWINGS.

ART EXHIBITIONS

AGNEW GALLERY: 45 Old Bond St. W.1. ... A SUMMER SELECTION OF DRAWINGS.



The Act II ballet

A Zeller's market by the lake at Mörbisch

Bird-catching is in season in Austria this month. Papageno and Die Zauberflöte opened the Salzburg Festival, described on this page earlier in the week. Three hundred kilometres away at Mörbisch, next door to the Hungarian frontier, another singer with a cage in command: Adam, the birdman from the Tyrol in Zeller's Der Vogelhändler.

The theatre at Mörbisch is built out at the end of a two-mile causeway which has been driven into the lake. Across the water is Hungary, and its influence is all around. The sausage stall at the entrance to the open-air seating is called the Pusztai, and patriots will claim that that particular expanse of flat land starts here by the lakeside. A Hungarian bad plays in the local hotel and the fish, fogas and eel, is well flavoured with sweet paprika; the gooseliver pâté comes from across the border.

Inevitably, perhaps, the Mörbisch Festival opened 18 years ago with Der Zigeunerbaron, the most Hungarian of Strauss's operettas, and it will be back next year to celebrate the centenary of the first performance at the Theater an der Wien. But for 1974 it is Adam, der Vogelhändler.

Perhaps Mr Minich was keeping an eye and an ear on Alois Aichorn, the rival tenor across the stage, as Count Stanislas. Aichorn will be switching to the role of Adam when the Volksoper mount their new Vogelhändler in the coming season on the basis of this Stanislas he will sing it well. He has not the exuberance of Minich, but the voice is clear and true, the phrasing stylish, the appearance handsome.



Alan Shearman and Ron House

Bullshot Crummond Hampstead

Victim's niece, a flower of British womanhood who becomes his plucky partner in an adventure that leads from the Carlton tea rooms to a deserted monastery, where poor Rosemary finds herself facing Von Bruno clad in no more than a slip. She faints, of course. 'The swine' snarls the returning Crummond. 'He has taken advantage of you; and I would have married you.'

Irvling Wardle

The Low Moon Spectacular, having pulled the carpet from under Latin American tourist shows in El Grande de Coca-Cola, proceeds to another apparently unsatisfactory theme. As an ideal of British gallantry Sapper's horrible hero is dead and buried, but this has not deterred the company from digging him up and dancing gleefully on the corpse.

Springtime for Henry Oxford Playhouse

For most of the fairy tale (Levy was an admirer of Barrie) the facts of life are kept firmly at arm's length, and to Henry's statement 'I want your wife' Johnny, the business rival whose sexual experience has been mainly confined to prep school bottom pinching, is able to reply, 'whatever for?'

Charles Lewsen

When Renn Levy's play appeared in 1936 The Times critic described it as an ingenious farce. At the opening of the Oxford Festival on Tuesday the piece struck me as too clever by half.

Television

The Joke BBC 2

Two elderly Jews sit in a seedy restaurant, staring at the table. 'You know', one says after some time, 'life is like a glass of lemon tea.' There is a long silence. Eventually, the second says: 'Why is life like a glass of lemon tea?'

Alan Coren

Two elderly Jews sit in a seedy restaurant, staring at the table. 'You know', one says after some time, 'life is like a glass of lemon tea.' There is a long silence. Eventually, the second says: 'Why is life like a glass of lemon tea?'

The Dracula Business BBC 1

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

Leonard Buckley

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

The Dracula Business BBC 1

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

Leonard Buckley

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

The Dracula Business BBC 1

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

Leonard Buckley

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

The Dracula Business BBC 1

Are you a sucker for vampires? Or does the sheer stupidity of the notion get right under your skin? Either way there was something for you on Tuesday although the programme proved rather more anemic than the subject had suggested.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Continuation of the Entertainment listings from the previous page, including Opera and Ballet, Theatres, Concerts, and Art Exhibitions.

THE ARTS

Continuation of the Arts listings from the previous page, including Art Exhibitions, Theatre, and Music.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Continuation of the Entertainment listings from the previous page, including Opera and Ballet, Theatres, Concerts, and Art Exhibitions.

THE ARTS

Continuation of the Arts listings from the previous page, including Art Exhibitions, Theatre, and Music.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Continuation of the Entertainment listings from the previous page, including Opera and Ballet, Theatres, Concerts, and Art Exhibitions.

THE ARTS

Continuation of the Arts listings from the previous page, including Art Exhibitions, Theatre, and Music.

ENTERTAINMENTS

Continuation of the Entertainment listings from the previous page, including Opera and Ballet, Theatres, Concerts, and Art Exhibitions.

THE ARTS

Continuation of the Arts listings from the previous page, including Art Exhibitions, Theatre, and Music.

SPORT

Cricket

England should finish on top in the battle of seam

By John Woodcock
One of the battles in a summer of two Test matches...

happened at Headingley, England would always fancy themselves to win a battle of the seam.

standable. That they were slow to accept Deenness was a kind of reinforcement of that, but they are playing as a team again now.

Hampshire show confidence is justified

By Alan Gibson
PORTSMOUTH: Hampshire, with seven first innings wickets in hand, lead Worcestershire by 54 runs.

Golf

Women's event with a difference

By Peter Ryde
Golf Correspondent
A professional gold competition from the other begins at Sunningdale today...



Jan Stephenson, from Sydney, in action yesterday at Sunningdale.

Card of course
Hole Yds Par Hole Yds Par
1 450 5 10 463 5

First a crawl then a sprint for bonus points

By Peter Marson
BLACKPOOL: Lancashire, with all first innings wickets in hand, are 223 behind Northamptonshire.

had happened until they spread their wickets and set about their lunch baskets. At that time Northamptonshire had crawled, though I am not sure that it is accurate to say that they were crawling.

Virgin had made 16 in 27 overs, and Steele six from 13. At the end of two hours in the afternoon there had been considerable improvement with 124 runs made in 128 overs from seven batsmen.

Oosterhuis should be more at home in Dutch Open

Hilversum, Aug 7.—An international field of 150 headed by Douglas McClelland, of Britain, the champion, will take off in the fifth Dutch Open golf championship here tomorrow.

Jewell has chance to make his name against Milne

Richard Jewell, little known as a player outside Hampshire, earned a place in the semi-final round of the Lord Derby-Ladbroke open-25 matchplay golf championship with a dramatic nineteenth-hole victory at West Lanchashire yesterday.

British win never in doubt

Great Britain's golfing youngsters are in a fine mood and are five in the youth golf match at Downfield, Dundee, yesterday.

Field day for Kent's seam bowlers

Kent recovered well from their heavy defeat by Middlesex in the previous game and outplayed Warwickshire yesterday on the day of the second match of the Canterbury festival week.

But Woolmer stayed only close of play when Kent were only nine runs behind. Johnson was unbeaten with 72.

with a stand of 77. In a tight spell of bowling, Wilson and Hutton restricted the batsmen. Hutton dismissed both openers and Wilson had McEwan caught at slip.

Amey finds winning no handicap

By John Nicholls
Ronald Amey's yacht, Norvegia, was the winner of the Royal Yacht Squadron's race for Class One yachts at Cowes yesterday.

Clark to retire on advice of specialist

Johny Clark, the European former British boxing champion, has decided to retire from the sport on the advice of a specialist.

Dates announced for Davis Cup play-offs

Johannesburg, Aug 7.—The dates for the Davis Cup play-off matches between the Soviet Union and India will be played in New Delhi on September 20, 21 and 22.

Essex v Yorkshire

Table with columns for batsmen, runs, and bowling figures for Essex vs Yorkshire.

Kent v Warwick

Table with columns for batsmen, runs, and bowling figures for Kent vs Warwick.

Gloucester v Derby

Table with columns for batsmen, runs, and bowling figures for Gloucester vs Derby.

Notts v Somerset

Table with columns for batsmen, runs, and bowling figures for Notts vs Somerset.

Fourth winner in four races for Wayfarers

Yesterday's race in the series for the national and world championships for Wayfarers, being held at Hayling Island, was the most exciting yet. The course was set inside Chichester harbour and the wind was gusty, reaching Force 5 at times, but dropping away at the end.

Australians try out new sails

Newport, Rhode Island, Aug 7.—The Australians experimented with different sails today in preparing their America's Cup contenders, Southern Cross, for intense national competition later this month.

Leading first class cricket averages

Table showing batting and bowling averages for leading first class cricketers.

Pakistani touring side's details

Table with details for the Pakistani touring side, including batting and bowling statistics.

Table with details for the Pakistani touring side, including batting and bowling statistics.

Today's cricket

Table listing today's cricket matches and their current status.

Today's cricket
LORDS: England v Pakistan (11.30 to 1.30)
Essex v Yorkshire (11.0 to 1.0)

Edwards leads all the way for fourth win

Christopher Edwards gained his fourth consecutive victory in the National 12 dinghy championships at Faversham Bay, Sussex, when he won the Sir William Burton Cup—the main event of the week.

Winds again stop Snipe event
Hanko, Finland, Aug 7.—Strong winds stopped the European Snipe yachting championships for the second day running here today.

Vancouver still want Winter Olympics

Vancouver, Aug 7.—The cover Olympic Organizing Committee today decided to continue with their candidature for the Winter Games in spite of the withdrawal of financial support from the Canadian Government.

Squash racks

JOHANNESBURG: South African squash players will play in the Davis Cup play-offs.

Rugby Union

SYDNEY: The Australian rugby union team will play in the Davis Cup play-offs.

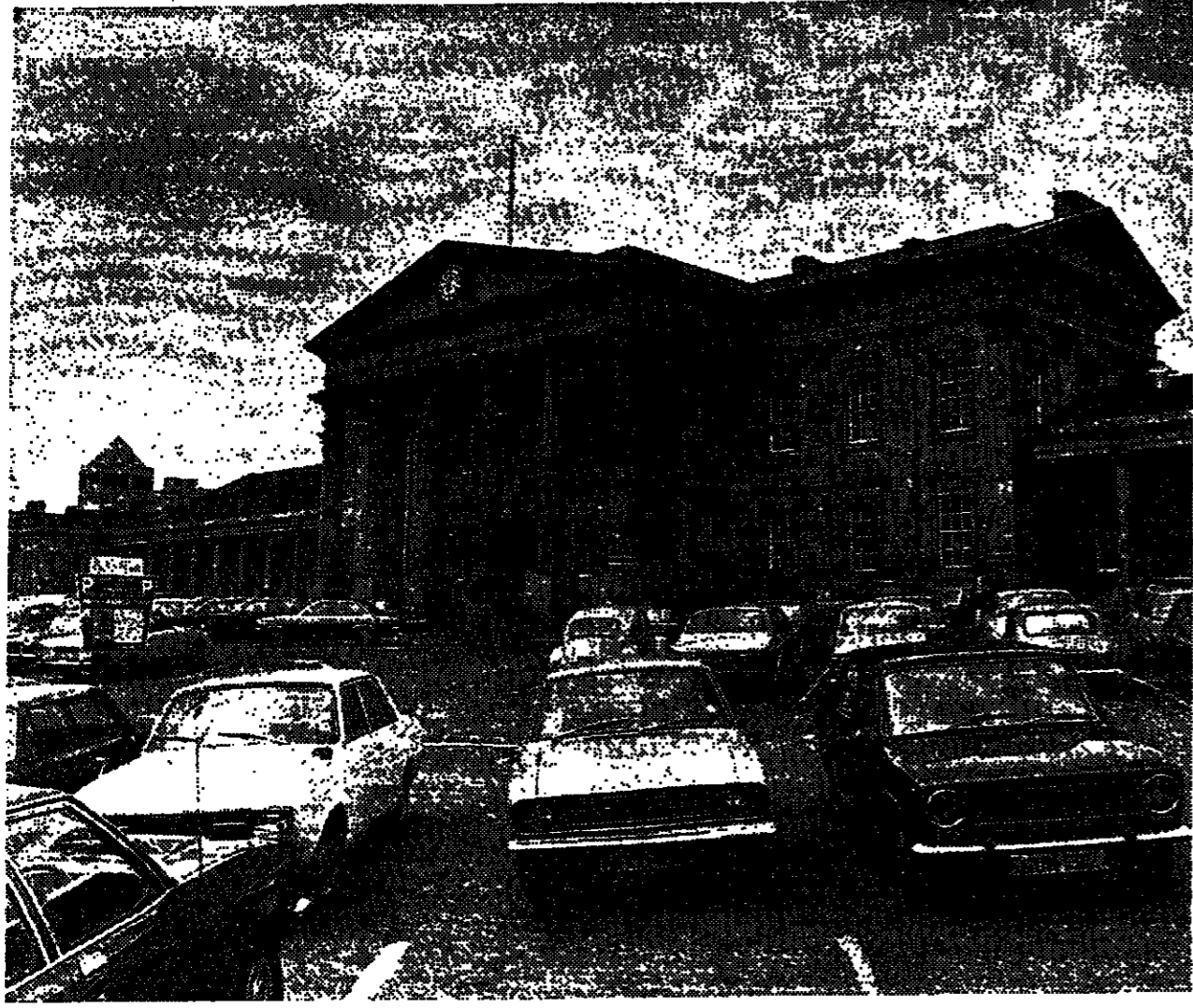
Handwritten text in Arabic script: "سنة ١٤٠٠"

a Special Report on one of the five district councils within the Metropolitan County of West Yorkshire

KIRKLEES

Robin Hood brings the communities together

by Patrick O'Leary



Strange names and new lines have appeared on the map this year. "Kirklees? Do you represent one of the new Scottish authorities?" This question was put to the leader of the new council, Councillor Thomas Megahy, when he attended a national conference recently. Kirklees, with its administrative headquarters in Huddersfield, is one of five authorities within the Metropolitan County Council of West Yorkshire. The others are Leeds, Bradford, Wakefield, and Calderdale, centred on Halifax.

Under the national re-organization of local government, they work in a two-tier system, with the county responsible for such strategic functions as highways, structural planning, police and fire services, and coordination of passenger transport.

Kirklees and its neighbours are metropolitan district councils, although Kirklees has decided to drop the word district from its title. This means that they are larger than ordinary second-tier authorities. Local social services, libraries and education come under their control, as well as housing and other normal district duties.

Eleven councils disappeared when Kirklees was born with an area of some 150 square miles and a population approaching 400,000. Two were county boroughs, Dewsbury and Huddersfield, and seven urban districts. As a result the new authority comprises two, if not three, distinct areas. They are Huddersfield, where re-

liance on the textile industry has been diversified with chemicals and engineering, the heavy woollen area running through Dewsbury, Batley and Spensforth, and the semi-rural south, with industrialized towns and villages widely scattered in the rich countryside.

Emerging from this bureaucratic upheaval, Dewsbury Town Hall stands black with soot, and the council seems to be registering a mute protest at the transfer of power to spruce Huddersfield, which has a new civic centre and market hall, and cleaned-up rows of railway station.

Even before the station, adorned with Corinthian columns, was built in 1847, Frederick Engels described Huddersfield as "the handsomest by far of all the factory towns of Lancashire and Yorkshire".

But other towns in Kirklees have their charms. At Mirfield early in July Dr Ramsey, retiring Archbishop of Canterbury, paid a visit to the impressive buildings of the community of the Resurrection.

Heckmondwike also has handsome church buildings, including the Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Spirit and its adjoining school stretching down a hill. This town retains something of a country air, with its open street market, causing some traffic confusion.

Throughout the area are constant reminders of the centuries-old wool trade. Weavers' cottages can be seen out by their many windows on the top storey, where the looms were worked. Later, in the valleys close to the rivers, came the mills.

Many of these are now disused, but their solid construction makes demolition a heavy task. Houses often rise steeply up the hillsides. In the south, Emley Moor television tower caps pleasant rolling farmland.

The M62, the Pennine motorway, runs in and out of the boundary in one corner of Kirklees. Good road and rail links enable many people to live in the area and work and shop in Leeds. A few commute to Bradford, Manchester and Sheffield. Low-price housing, and the number of long-established building societies in the West Riding attract home buyers.

Kirklees takes its name from a ruined priory north of Huddersfield, where Robin Hood is said to have gone to die. But it was not chosen entirely for romantic association.

The name Huddersfield would not have been acceptable to Batley and Dewsbury. Councillor Megahy said: "We started with 50 names, including Wooddale and Brigandine. Finally the choice was between Upper Ayrshire and Kirklees." What had been Metropolitan District 6D had found an identity.

"It is an interesting area, with tremendous differences between communities," the council leader said. "But I have been impressed by the way they have overcome parochialism. People feared this would be a Huddersfield takeover, but I am pleasantly surprised at the way they are coming to accept the change."

Councillor Megahy said there were 72 members on the new council. Previously he had been on Mirfield

Council, with 12 members. "We have had to adjust to a different style of working," he said. "Much more has to be done by correspondence now, instead of popping in to speak to chief officers."

Of the electors, he said: "I think the tremendous increase in rates has aroused people from their apathy. In some towns where rates were formerly low there will probably be pressure to get more amenities. I believe there is a big potential in this sort of reorganization."

His view has already been proved right. Villagers at Kirkheaton, near Huddersfield, have complained about road repairs and the lack of litter bins. "With the heavy increase in Kirkheaton and other ratepayers are facing, we want a better service now," they said.

Mr Eric Dixon is the authority's Chief Executive Officer. He agreed the area lacked homogeneity but believed the new organization would be able to tackle problems on a broader scale than before.

"I spend my time and so do other officers working on structural arrangements at county and district levels," he said. "We have been conscious of wanting to collaborate."

Mr Dixon said that although the area had a high proportion of immigrants, mostly Pakistanis, Muslims and West Indians, community relationships were remarkably good. It had previously absorbed Irish settlers before the last war, and Poles immediately after it.

Unemployment was generally low, although the Dewsbury and Batley area had

suffered from dependence on the heavy woollen industry. "We could do with a science-based industry in that end of the district," he said.

"We also have a legacy of nineteenth-century towns which need redevelopment. We need some office and vice-based enterprises."

Among the 10 directors set up to administer Kirklees is one for environment and health. In addition to normal public health duties, pushing ahead with small control.

Two thirds of Huddersfield has now been covered, and by 1981 it will be officially a "white area".

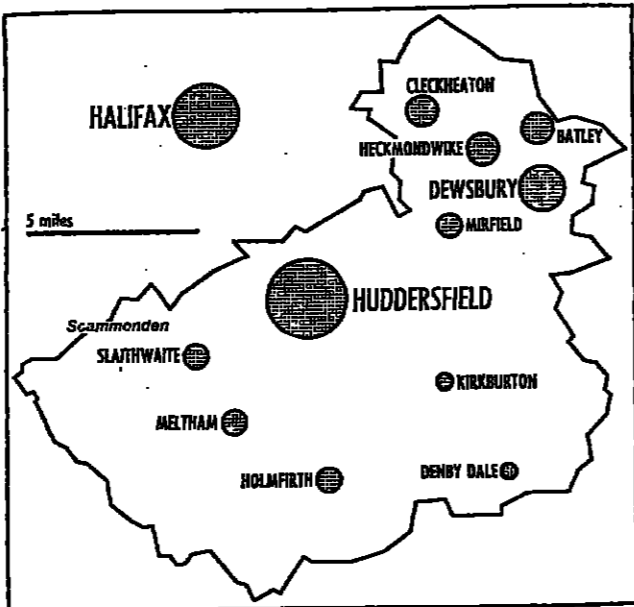
In a recent plea to the Government for increased rate support grants, the council said that in the many of the smaller towns in the area had lacked the money to bring their council houses up to modern standards. It also said that while unemployment was low, so were earnings, and many women compelled to go out to work.

The authority asked for extra government help clearing sites of disused factories, brick and clay workings and old railways.

It should receive a sympathetic hearing, Harold Wilson is a local man and became an honorary member of Huddersfield in 1968. Oddly enough a small honour was conferred on Colonel Harold Wilson. Harold Wilson's sound joke by the worst kind of Tory backbencher, but a soldier received his freedom in 1901 on return from South African War. Many others in this part of Yorkshire he was a Lib-



Huddersfield is a town that moves with the times. Its railway station (top) may have a traditional exterior, but its new Market Hall (above) is emblazoned with a modern motif.



Exports surge but region needs broader industrial base

by Ronald Kershaw Northern Industrial Correspondent

One might be excused for thinking that an area covering well over 100,000 acres and inhabited by nearly 400,000 people in the heart of what used to be known as the West Riding would be reasonably well known in industry. Yet I had to think twice when the Kirklees metropolitan area was mentioned.

The name is new to many but the region is old. It encompasses Huddersfield, Holmfirth, Heckmondwike, Dewsbury, Batley, Meltham and Marsden, all of which have honourable records in the industrial history of Yorkshire.

This is a far-flung area taking in a large slice of the wool textile industry of the county. The fine worsteds of Huddersfield and the heavy woollen goods of Batley and Dewsbury are well known but when a sprinkling of engineering, tractor manufacture and chemicals is added, that is the sum total of industry in the area. The new Kirklees council is keenly aware of the dangers to the economy of a district that has too many eggs in one industrial basket and is considering a programme of diversification.

ment and for technologically based industries," he said. In the long term the aim is not so much to solve a problem of unemployment as to secure an upgrading in the wage levels of the area. Once this is achieved it will generate activity in other manufacturing fields because, as people become better off, they will spend more.

There can be little doubt that the position of Kirklees in relation to the motorway network is already proving of benefit. A new industry almost, that of warehousing, has sprung up. Apart from facilities being provided on new industrial estates, there are in the area many old mills and turned into warehouse premises so that the region is now becoming known as a distribution centre.

If anyone has a keen eye on distribution benefits it is the mail order companies, and the fact that one prominent company has established itself in a mill in the Colne Valley is evidence

enough of the value of position.

When the M62 is completed in the near future, access to the east and west coast ports is assured. Within 10 miles the motorway connects with the M1 motorway in the east giving access to north and south routes and in the west the M connects with the M61 doing the same. The region motorway box has long been publicized as one of the most significant features of its industrial situation.

There has been a marked increase in recent months of exports to EEC partners and in the first quarter of this year exports of crops, yarns and fabrics to EEC countries showed a 5 per cent rise. In hard cash this amounted to £11.8m. Sales to the rest of the world were £31.9m in the first quarter. This may sound impressive until one realizes that costs have rocketed and it is possible to record an increase in value but a decrease in volume of goods.

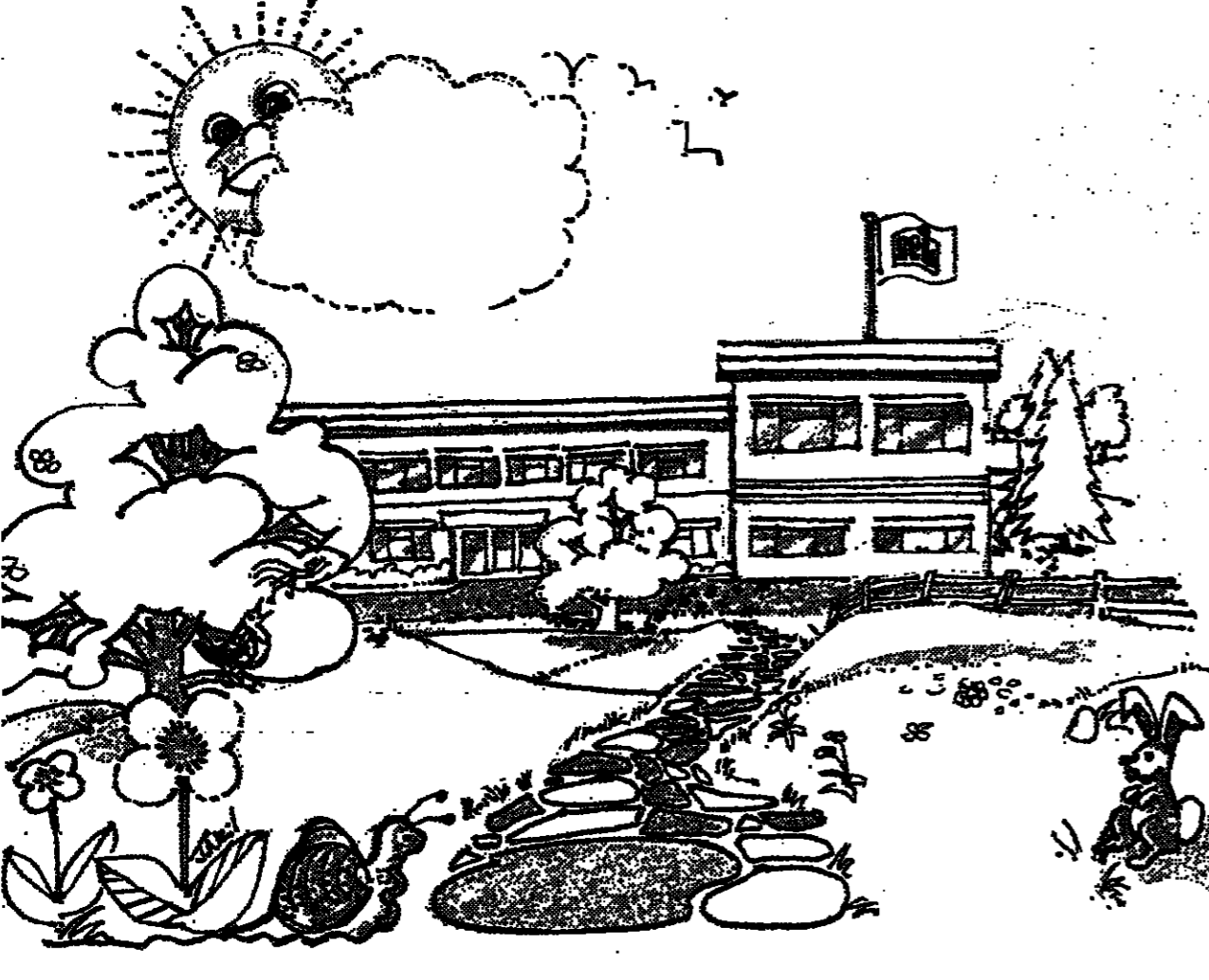
Textile concerns are still the biggest employer in the Batley area which it must be admitted sticks out like a sore thumb when one is considering unemployment statistics. The rate at Batley is well above that of other parts of the Kirklees area at 3.3 per cent. This compares with the regional average of 2.6 per cent and national average of 5 per cent. If one looks at men only, the unemployment rate rises to 5.1 per cent, but when one considers this represents 344 men out of work the situation takes on a different light.

Clearly there is room for an injection of industry, or at least an expansion of existing industry, in the Kirklees area.

The view of the Yorkshire and Humberside Economic Planning Council is that the region would be better off expanding existing industry than concentrating on attracting newcomers, and Kirklees may well take the same attitude. The thinking behind this is that, if the various areas of the region are not selective in whom they attract, it will end up with a hotchpotch of companies that are merely being placed with head offices in other parts of the country.

Yorkshire and Humberside want new companies to have their headquarters in the region, the place where decisions are taken. Headquarters will provide much-needed office jobs and the more people that can be found while collar employment the more activity will be generated in service industries.

A spokesman for Kirklees Metropolitan Council made the point that the council was anxious to see some industrial and commercial renewal, particularly in the heavy woollen areas. "There is a lot of scope for office develop-



Put yourself in our place

Generous and imaginative landscaping is an important feature of our new industrial centre in the heart of Huddersfield which is to open in October this year.

Every effort is being made to achieve a pleasant working environment which means a happier staff. It all adds up to more output - better for them, for the company, for the community. Better for everybody.

The Ringway Industrial Centre has been created out of a derelict railway yard which, although only a quarter of a mile from the City Centre, had remained unused and unkempt for many years. A newly constructed slip road with direct access off the recently completed Huddersfield Inner Ring Road, leads directly to the main estate.

At present some 45,000 sq. ft. of buildings are nearing completion while a further phase is planned to start shortly. Early occupants include a main British Leyland Dealer.

There is quick access from the Ringway Industrial Centre to the newly completed East/West M62 which has really put Huddersfield on the map in terms of road communications.

Units from 6,000 sq. ft. upwards are available on 25 year leases. Enquiries from both warehouse and factory users are welcome.

For more information please apply to:
Eadon Lockwood Riddle
The Estate Salesroom
25, James Street
Sheffield S1 1XJ
Telephone 0742 71277
or
Amlidge Hewitt & Hellowell
32 Queen Street
Huddersfield HD1 2SR
Telephone 0484 26118

A Slough Industrial Estates Development

THE NEW BRITAIN

Far reaching changes are currently taking place in Local Government structure and responsibility throughout England and Wales. During this period of reorganization The Times is recording the progress towards the New Britain in a series of Special Reports.

The reports themselves are written by The Times staff writers and other contributors specializing in Local Government Affairs and other aspects of regional development. They will be read by the highly influential Times readership, both in this country and overseas.

If you have not yet contacted The Times about your new Regional Authority being covered in this series telephone

Tony Broke-Smith
01-837 1234 Ext. 507

Special Reports
Advertisements Manager,
The Times, P.O. Box 7,
New Printing House Square,
Gray's Inn Road,
London, WC1X 8EZ

مكتبة الامم المتحدة

Target of 1,000 new homes a year

Legacy of old houses and schools makes meeting demands on a new housing programme from deprived areas and poor housing conditions, the council told Government, pledging it made it no intention to give them a standard of accommodation school.

Kirklees has about 1,000 houses. Some 3,300 are included in the present year demolition programme, another 24,000 are planned for the next year. Some are in general improvement areas. The houses have been built by private developers to spend between £100 and £7,000 on them to cover costs. Since most are stone, they are sound enough to last many years. Officials say they have available for building 500 houses in the first year, including 300 from the council. The target is 1,000 a year with the help of private developers. A present target is to have 1,000 new houses built, as the authority has

lengthening waiting-list. It has grown in recent years, although since the last war the various authorities in the area have built thousands of dwellings, from one-bedroom old people's bungalows to flats in 17-storey blocks. As in other areas, these towers have attracted the attention of vandals.

For private buyers, Kirklees operates a mortgage scheme offering 90 per cent advances up to £5,000. A variety of estates have been built throughout the area, drawing commuters from other towns as well as people working in local towns.

One resident said: "I do not know any place where houses are cheaper. I bought my semi-detached house in Huddersfield four years ago for £2,950. It is centrally heated but has no garage."

"In January it was valued at £6,100. A similar house with garage near Rochdale, where I work, was priced at £9,000 recently."

Forty-eight per cent of this year's rates will be spent on educational services. The budget provides for increased spending on nursery, primary and secondary schools, as well as expansion of Huddersfield Polytechnic and the two technical colleges in the area.

Landscaping helps to attract both employers and job-seekers

In common with most other areas in Yorkshire and on Humber-side Kirklees is looking for industrial and commercial renewal with the emphasis on the development of office jobs. This means the development of office and factory property ready to accommodate industrial and commercial enterprises which the local authority hopes to attract.

In fact Councillor Reginald Hartley, the Mayor of Kirklees, recently officially inaugurated an industrial and commercial park development costing more than £2m on the banks of the river Calder at Dewsbury. The development is by the Leeds firm, Chellow Dene Holdings, and apart from providing about 300 new jobs in the Dewsbury area it is regarded as one of the most attractive of its type in the country. The site overlooks the river-ide, and the completed development will provide a new kind of park-style working environment which, happily, coincides with local authority plans to landscape the river frontage and provide riverside walks.

The project attracted considerable interest and the letting agents, Henry Spencer & Sons, were able to report some time ago that negotiations were at an advanced stage for the pre-let of more than half the development.

On the day that the mayor inaugurated the project, it was announced that Rust Craft Greeting Cards had signed an agreement, subject to planning permission, to take the first 30,000 sq ft of the development and, subsequently, a further similar amount for production purposes.

Mr Colin Hayes, managing director of Chellow Dene Holdings, has said that the Dewsbury project demonstrates clearly that despite what some politicians may say to the contrary private developers still have a significant role to play in the provision of industrial and employment potentials.

The first stage of the Dewsbury project will include advance industrial units, office accommodation and extensive refurbishment of existing buildings. The advance units are scheduled for completion later this year and the offices in 1975.

The development will include about 40,000 sq ft of offices, nearly 23,000 sq ft of advance units in multiples of 3,000 sq ft and a variety of other accommodation.

The site is close to the M1 and M62, both of which are linked to Dewsbury's central area by dual carriage-ways. The development also offers much-needed industrial diversification in the Dewsbury area. Apart from this riverside industrial park, there is another Dewsbury project in Breton Street. The developers are Lapid Developments and the site is at the corner of Headfield Road and Breton Street, within easy access of the M1 and M62. It is an industrial estate and the 15-acre site is being developed in two phases.

The proximity of the motorway network is probably the biggest single selling point that Kirklees can offer. It is certainly evident in the development of the Ringway Industrial Centre at Huddersfield, a project of Slough Industrial Estates.

Slough does not sell its factories, but rents them.

The problems of planning permission, design, construction contracts and local by-laws have to be dealt with by an industrialist building his own factory. Slough reckons that to move into a ready-to-use factory with all these problems taken care of, the place fully serviced and in a sensible location, is a considerable advantage to an industrialist wanting to concentrate on production and growth.

The Ringway Industrial Centre is now under construction with a first stage of 45,000 sq ft. Units of various sizes from 6,000 sq ft—at about 90p a sq ft—will be available. The centre is three miles from the M62 which links with the M1 10 miles away. It is a 22-acre site one third of a mile from the town centre and occupiers will be eligible for the various government incentives given in intermediate areas. Taking into account future motorway and trunk road improvements Slough calculates that by next year Huddersfield will be within 30 minutes drive of 3,500,000 people and within four hours of 37 million people.

Kirklees is also formulating a policy for the development of shopping areas. The council is taking as its starting point a special proposal commissioned by the former Huddersfield Borough Council from Building Design Partnership. In general the conclusions and recommendations produced in the report had been accepted by the new Kirklees authority. But one of the report's principal proposals—the re-jection of a superstore at Birkby previously accepted by the council—was only recently overturned by Mr Anthony Crosland, the Secretary of State for the Environment.

The proposal was to convert old mill premises at Clough House Mills into a supermarket with a garden centre alongside. The way is now clear for the company concerned, F. & A. E. Lodge of Huddersfield, to go ahead with its plans with only a slight modification of size made on the recommendation of the Department of Environment's inspector after a public inquiry.

Three proposals for shopping

Mr Peter Clarke, the deputy director of planning for Kirklees, believes that Huddersfield has adequate shopping facilities in the town centre and suggests that any further expansion would be extremely selective.

There are three proposals for shopping developments at Dewsbury which seem likely to be approved but the main concern of Kirklees is a people and shoppers of Kirklees to know that questions of environmental, functional and commercial concern are exercising so carefully the minds of the local authority.

Bringing the brass for bands, choirs and sports centres

It is one of the characteristics of the North of England that its inhabitants like to participate in outdoor sports and other cultural activities. Kirklees Council has set up a number of bands and music especially for singing on the street.

At first the extensive village does not seem to contain anywhere flat enough to play. But on a hilltop is a stretch of turf in prime condition. Clearly, more excited areas than the one glimpsed from the train passing another village, with fielders in brown trousers and braces.

The area lacks professional theatres—Huddersfield's Theatre Royal was demolished in 1961—but there are arts centres there and at Dewsbury used by amateur dramatic and operatic societies. Batley has a variety club of more than 100 members.

Visiting orchestras play to full halls, but what West Riding people like best is the music in which they can join, particularly brass bands and choirs. From 1932 to 1967 Sir Malcolm Sargent conducted the Huddersfield Choral Society, "my choir", as he called them.

They have the advantage of the town hall, whose acoustics are widely praised, and a fine organ. Still, their Messiah does not go unchallenged by other choirs in neighbouring valleys.

Musical enthusiasm shows signs of dying out. "There is a strong interest in music of every sort in the schools", a Kirklees official said. "We have an increasing number of youth orchestras."

The vocal power of Association football fans has been muted lately. Huddersfield are in the Third Division, and teams in Leeds, Manchester and Sheffield draw the gates. A new manager, Bobby Collins, has been appointed to restore

softball cricket was in progress. Indoor nets are available for more serious practice.

A couple of miles away is the village of Kirkheaton, birthplace of George Hirst and Wilfred Rhodes. These were the great cricketers whose last wicket partnership won a Test victory over the Australians in 1902.

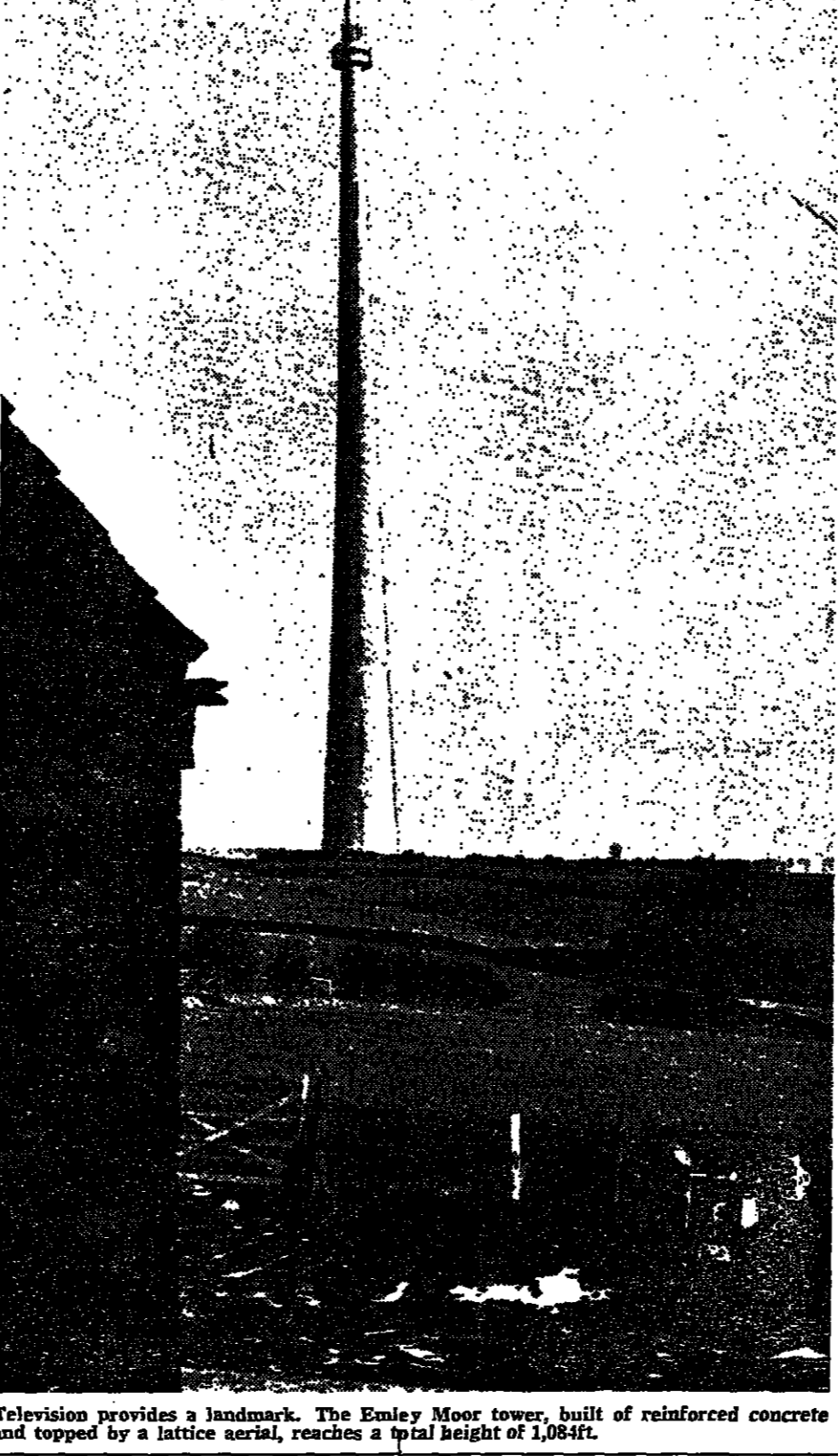
Other kinds of boatmen have a marina in Huddersfield, with prospects of another being built at Mirfield. The area has plenty of canals, rivers and streams suitable for recreational activities if they could be cleaned.

It seemed strange to find an American family at breakfast in my hotel, but the Peak National Park stretches into Kirklees. Tourists also enjoy the Brontë associations. The three sisters worked at a Mirfield school.

Huddersfield art gallery is strong in modern artists, with works by Stanley Spencer, John Nash, Ivon Hitchens, John Piper and Graham Sutherland. L. S. Lowry's "Huddersfield 1965" appears to reflect a man who has grown more optimistic in old age.

The chimneys still smoke but his skies and buildings seem brighter, the step of his people springier, and his dogs more hopeful than once they were. The work contrasts well with Sheila Fell's sombre "King's Mill".

Away to the south Holmfirth was holding an art exhibition of its own. The organizers charged 20p for entry, good value for the variety and quantity of work on show, particularly as coffee and biscuits were included.



Television provides a landmark. The Emley Moor tower, built of reinforced concrete and topped by a lattice aerial, reaches a total height of 1,084ft.

Savings accounts

House owners loans

Cheque books
Cheque cards
Credit cards

Personal loans

Investment accounts

Current accounts

Late night opening
BISTRO

Foreign currency

All this and friendliness too

Yorkshire Bank
Friendliness. We built a bank on it.

Late night opening Thursday 4.30 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
Batley Cleckheaton, Dewsbury.
Late night opening Friday 5.00 p.m. - 6.30 p.m.
Heckmondwike, Huddersfield.

To those who think their world ends at Watford. You're right.

Get past Watford and you'll leave behind a lot of the things you've come to know in London world. Things that you won't find in Kirklees, West Yorkshire.

Like what? Overcrowding for a start. There's plenty of room to expand up here. The area's rich in possibilities for light industry and commerce.

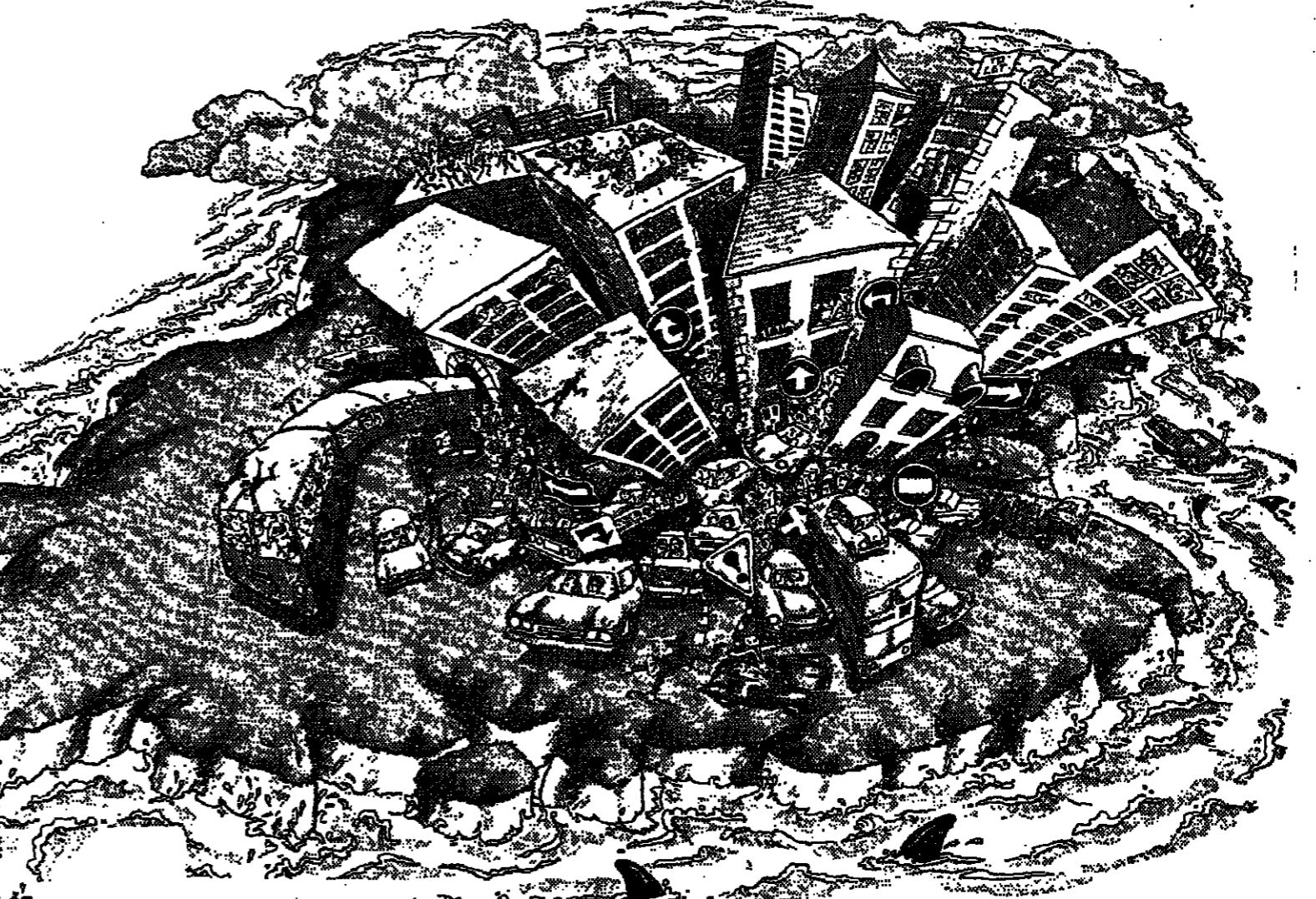
Another thing you'll be deprived of is floorspace at £10 per square foot. Not £2 in Kirklees.

Then of course, you'll be saying farewell to all those rush-hour traffic jams. Kirklees has excellent communications within the area itself and to other parts of the country. These include the M62, extensive rail links and a close proximity to major ports and airports.

Yes, you'd certainly find that Kirklees takes a bit of getting used to. But you'd find a stable workforce, low unemployment rates, housing readily available and some of the most breathtaking countryside in Britain, it's a whole new world.

But you'd quickly grow to love it. Your business? That would just grow.

Get the full story from Mr. D. C. Vane, Director of Planning & Development, Civic Centre, Huddersfield. Tel: Huddersfield 22133



Kirklees. A wealth of new possibilities.



New Printing House Square, London, WC1X 8EZ. Telephone: 01-837 1234

A WELCOME INNOVATION

an inflationary world where commercial contracts are incomplete without an escalator clause and no wage settlement is acceptable without a threshold agreement, it is not surprising that the Government has now recognized that savings media could also offer protection against future falls in the value of money. For disillusionment with conventional forms of saving investment has rarely been greater than it is today. Money flowing out of the National Savings movement faster than it comes in. Building societies have been forced to accept Government finance to meet their pending commitments. Rising interest rates have sapped gilts and other fixed-interest securities. Ordinary shares are at their lowest level for over a decade. Inflation, or the fear of it, is at least partly to blame in every case.

The Government's initial response to the problem has been understandably cautious. It has decided to launch two new National Savings schemes "indexed" to the price level, but seems anxious to ensure that any general move in the direction of indexation takes place only after a good deal of further thought. Thus the first of its schemes involves a five-year period available only to those who have reached retirement age. The main concern of the Government is the protection of income rather than of capital, it seems a somewhat half-hearted answer to the problem and is, in any case, subject to a £500 limit. So many National Savings

instruments, its tax exempt status exposes it to the charge that it will do more for the elderly rich with existing tax liabilities than for the elderly poor.

The second scheme—an index-linked Save As You Earn scheme—should be of more general appeal, though here too the scheme's contractual nature and the £20 limit on monthly contributions suggest that it is not intended to provide aggressive competition for other savings instruments. Yet though the immediate impact of these new schemes may be fairly limited, they must be regarded as the first step towards a radical change in the traditional relationship between borrowers and lenders throughout the economy. Therefore a good deal of hard thought and hard work will be needed if their long-term implications are to be fully appreciated by the time they are formally launched in nine to twelve months' time.

At stake is the most fundamental financial tradition of all, which is that the borrowing of money carries with it the obligation to repay neither more nor less than the sum borrowed, plus interest. It is on this basis that all borrowers—governments, public bodies, private firms and individuals—have operated: though, as holders of War Loan bonds, governments occasionally bend the rules by deciding to repay nothing at all. In the past, the basis proved acceptable to lenders as well, especially when market forces were allowed to determine the rates of interest at which the lending takes place.

To "index" indebtedness, thereby making the borrower's repayment commitment an open-ended one, would at first appear to strike at the roots of financial prudence. In fact, it need prove no more disruptive than the present situation where borrowers incur liabilities which are constant in monetary terms and use them to finance assets whose future monetary value may be totally unpredictable. It is an imbalance which can theoretically result in huge windfall profits one year and bankruptcy the next. Intelligently introduced, indexation could benefit borrowers as well as lenders. There is certainly no need to regard it as a desperate admission that hyper-inflation is around the corner.

Some of the practical problems of implementation will admittedly be great. For instance, building societies and banks can scarcely index any of their deposits unless they index a corresponding volume of their advances as well, a decision which might prove politically difficult to implement. Companies may find it hard to index some of their borrowings without risking the wrath of existing creditors whose loans are fixed in monetary terms. But none of these problems should prove insurmountable. All that is needed is the recognition that unpredictable changes in monetary values require a fresh approach to the terms on which money itself moves throughout the economy. Without that fresh approach, the outlook for the healthy development of savings institutions and capital markets will remain clouded.

DR KISSINGER'S METHODS

Mr Nixon's Administration troubles Dr Kissinger emerges on the rubble bruised but not seriously wounded. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee has given him the vote of confidence that he demanded at his press conference in Salisbury on June 1, when he said: "I cannot conduct my office if I have to devote my energies to disproving allegations of perjury; nor do I believe that the United States can conduct an effective foreign policy with a Secretary of State who is under such attack." He is right to make the challenge. Now he should be in a much strengthened position to guide American foreign policy through an awkward transitional period. Everyone should be relieved. Dr Kissinger is a great Secretary of State, and his resignation could have been a tragedy. But the episode will have done no harm if it makes him a little more cautious in future, for if he is one weakness which could ill tarnish his achievements it is a tendency to be impatient about accepting limits on the means by which he pursues his ends.

He brought the Vietnam negotiations to an end by means of one exceptionally brutal bombing of North Vietnam and secret bombing of Cambodia. His first meeting with China was an exercise in very secret and deceptive diplomacy. In the Middle East he skirted dangerously near a brink of losing the confidence of one side or the other. In

negotiations with the Soviet Union he has left a trail of speculation about secret deals, so far unsubstantiated.

In these matters his honourable intentions have not been questioned. Diplomacy is bound to be a slippery business sometimes and most of Dr Kissinger's conjuring shows have earned him justified applause. His success, though not total, has been sufficient to allay criticism. But there is a broader element of doubt creeping into commentaries on his policy, and since it concerns the proper place of moral values in American foreign policy it has some relevance to Watergate.

To anyone with memories of the crusading zeal of some earlier administrations it is a relief to be rid of false postures and empty moralizing. A cooler calculation of the national interest is both more honest and more effective. But Dr Kissinger is in danger of swinging too far. In his preoccupation with the balance of power and strategic alliances he has made it clear that he cares little about the internal policies of allies such as Greece under the colonels, or negotiating partners such as the Soviet Union. Nor has he much patience with the desire of the West Europeans to make the freer flow of people and information a condition of détente with Eastern Europe. His concern is with the agreements among governments, regardless of their complexion.

This sounds very hard-headed and realistic but it is not necessarily so. There is, in fact, nothing like a clear-cut choice between moralism and realism in politics the moment one gets beyond simple military alliances against common enemies, when the only thing that matters is the size and location of an ally's army. In modern conditions it can do very real damage to the United States to be closely identified with some of the nastiest regimes in the world, especially when these regimes are overthrown by people who then turn against the United States. In complex forms of cooperation with the Soviet Union the nature of the regime, its attitude towards human rights, its openness to information, its attitude towards written agreements, can be very relevant. In foreign relations as a whole it matters in less tangible but important ways that people should associate the United States with values such as truth and democracy.

If Watergate is a salutary shock to the American system it also gives Dr Kissinger something to think about in his conduct of foreign policy. He may have an even freer hand now, and long may he flourish; but he may be mindful of the risks he was exposed to in a matter which raises issues similar in principle to those involved in the conduct of foreign policy.

RISKY COMPROMISE FOR SOUTH AFRICAN PRESS

The South African newspaper proprietors have yielded to government pressure and submitted to the humiliation of adopting a code of "self-censorship" which many of their editors said they would not impose on themselves last year. Mr Vorster demanded they do this in order "to preserve" their house in order "to preserve" and if it does serve, in the interests of the public at a whole, an adequate measure of the press's already diminished freedom to report events that have a racial dimension. The proprietors owe to their staff and to the public to clarify this point.

Mr Vorster certainly went far this year towards committing himself to censorship. His attacks on the English-language press were capriciously received at his election meetings. Yet it is possible that the proprietors may have been bluffing. If they do not explain further, many will wonder if they have. For it is not Mr Vorster's interests to introduce censorship. He has always at the last ounce of political

advantage abroad by using the outspokenness of the English-language press to rebut accusations of racial dictatorship and a police state.

Still less could he wish openly to implement suggestions made by Dr Mulder, his Minister of Information, for a register of journalists that would reduce journalism practically to a state-controlled profession, and ultimately replace the existing cadre of liberal-minded but skilled and circumspect reporters by Government stooges (as has happened to other professions). All such developments, though pleasing to the verkrampete Afrikaner element, would be a dire last resort.

The new code may be a compromise reached behind the scenes. Much will depend on how it works. The editors who argue that for the press to discipline itself against racial "incitement" is a dangerous surrender have a strong point. The courts themselves have found the charge of incitement hard to define or prove. Clearly no substantial newspaper in South Africa can conditionally deliberate incite racial conflict. But the Press Council's criterion is apparently not to be intent but effect. This implies that a news-

AFRICAN PRESS

paper can be held accountable for subsequent events that have many other causes. The new code may be limited to such cases as where biased reporting of an industrial dispute might be followed at once by rioting. Even this is invidious. If, however, it is meant to apply to accusations arising from the whole worsening racial situation in South Africa as decreed and exacerbated by Government policy, it will become increasingly difficult to report vital day-to-day news, perhaps even Government proceedings and statements.

The press would indeed then be censoring itself to Mr Vorster's liking. The editorial discussion of policy (which he says is free) would become self-defeating in a news vacuum. There is the risk that if self-censorship is applied in any way that goes beyond the normal ethics and the acute sense of self-preservation that distinguishes South African journalism, the Government will infiltrate the system and take over for its own ends the apparatus so conveniently erected. Nothing short of the editorial adulation handed out by the Afrikaner party press is ever likely to reconcile Mr Vorster to the English-language press.

Lake District traffic

From Mr Alan Mattingly

In his Regional Report from Windermere (July 29), John Barnes pointed out that 20 million people will soon be within day-trip range of the Lake District. The affluence problems that will cause the national park hardly bear thinking about. Yet, at the same time, the one remaining railway link the Lakes is in a sad state of decline. Services on the Oxenholme-Windermere branch line have been eadily cut back in recent years and it was feared at one time that the line would be axed completely.

There have been signs of a revival of interest on the part of British Rail in recent months, but it could hardly be said that BR is alive to the line's tremendous potential. A few weeks ago, an attempt was made by members of the Ramblers' Association to arrange for a charter train to be run from Hull to Windermere. Despite assurances given to us by the Deputy General Manager of London Midland Region earlier this year, our members were told that their suggestion was not feasible. BR could, however, run a special train to Oxenholme and then arrange for passengers to be taken by bus to Windermere—thus adding

to the heavy traffic that would already be pouring into the park from the M6!

An official working party was recently set up to consider ways of overcoming traffic problems in the Lake District. One can only hope that they approach their task with more imagination than has so far been shown by the operators of public transport facilities in whose hands the solution lies.

Yours faithfully,
ALAN MATTINGLY, Secretary,
The Ramblers' Association,
1/4 Crawford Mews,
York Street, W1.
July 31.

Reinforcing the watchdog role of MPs

From Professor Alan Thompson

The most impressive feature of the Watergate investigations is the manner in which America can apply the most detailed and impartial legal scrutiny to the elusive and complex arena of executive decision-making.

Those of us who are interested or involved in questions of efficiency and equity in our economy—whether at national or regional level—can perhaps learn something from the techniques of scrutiny and appraisal which America can bring to bear upon public mis-spending and abuse.

Making allowances for all the different weaknesses and strengths in our two systems of government, I believe that Parliament could make more effective use of MPs who are trained lawyers. As Mr Alistair Cook has pointed out, it is a truly formidable and reassuring experience to see a committee of American legislators, consisting exclusively of trained lawyers, pursuing a line of investigation with the minimum of party point-scoring and the maximum of genuine concern to get at the truth. There may be a similar place for an all-party committee of lawyers in our own House of Commons.

I would also like to see the Ombudsman system—both at national and regional level—given a sharper, more professionally interrogative direction. As one who as an MP took part in the early discussions on the Ombudsman, I have always thought that the Ombudsman should be a lawyer. He must possess independence of mind, professional facility in the marshalling of evidence and assessing its weight, and a determination to pursue the truth whatever the status and authority of the person under interrogation.

For these reasons I believe that lawyers make better ombudsmen

Can democracy survive inflation?

From Mr Edward Hyams

Sir, Either our economic condition is as bad as Conservative economists and most of your correspondents on the subject say it is; or it is not.

If it is then there can surely be no question about what must be done; there's only one tested way to cure inflation—strict rationing of all commodities to reduce consumption to what we can afford and ensure its fair distribution. The only might well be "Who cares?"

If it is not as bad as you and most of your correspondents claim, then I suggest that you think again about the wisdom of generating a mood of desperation.

What really must alarm any man or woman of fifty or more, is the cry being raised by the right for a "strong leader". We've seen some in our time, sir: Mussolini, Hitler, Stalin, Franco and Salazar, for example. Their method of saving capitalism, whether of the classic variety or the state monopolist variety, was to depress the standard of living of the majority by police terrorism.

If Parliamentary democracy is not up to the task of making it clear to the people that the promised benefits of technological progress have been grossly over-estimated—which I suspect is the case only because they were never controlled by reference to population growth and the claims of primary producers of food and energy sources—then in the name of our traditions and of our self-respect, let us turn left and forwards, not right and backwards; to a democracy wider and more direct, not to a repudiation of it by recourse to a "leader"—the German word is *Führer*.

Yours etc,
EDWARD HYAMS,
The Old School House,
Brampton, Bedfordshire, Bedfordshire.

University buildings

From Mr Ian Murray Leslie

Sir, On one aspect only of Professor Douglas's letter on "The Structure of Essex University" (August 3) do I feel competent to comment: the suggestion, if I take her meaning correctly, that the thinking which lies behind some of our new universities is based on a mistaken social theory (of permissiveness?) and that this in turn produces "weak" and "symbolic" buildings. This phrase Professor Douglas defines as "a junior common room, no senior common room, no territorial identity for the teaching department", and thus establishes a link between undergraduate behaviour and the design and architecture of a university's buildings.

I have not seen the Essex building, but I recall discussing six years ago in Vancouver the possible link between the concept and architecture of the then new Simon Fraser University and the very serious riots in which some of its students had been involved. I asked whether responsibility should not largely rest on those who designed the university on a mountainside some miles from the city centre with few facilities for recreation or for the fostering of those individual cultural and social interests which are a vital part of the older universities, and where the small, student-run, old colleges was replaced by a single concrete concourse capable of accommodating 3,500 students who must be at

tributions to your columns and the utterances of the spokesmen of the political parties.

Anybody who read Peter Jay's bleak but brilliantly lucid exposition of our economic dilemma a few weeks ago cannot but have been appalled by the superficiality of Mr Healey's mini-budget and the Opposition's response to it. If the motto of the last election was "Who rules?", that of the coming one might well be "Who cares?"

But if one's first reaction is to accuse the politicians of cynicism and irresponsibility, my experience in trying to pick a living among the wreckage of the most efficient livestock industry in the world suggests to me that we must seriously question whether they really have much idea of what is going on. It is hard to take seriously a Government which tinkers with consumer subsidies while a great industry is gasping like a landed fish.

We have had plenty of warnings in your columns that "economic disaster" may be coming. Since nobody—politicians, management or workers—is seemingly doing anything constructive to prevent it, it is government that is the problem. It is indeed coming. But what, in terms of our individual lives, jobs and incomes, does "economic disaster" actually mean? Few of us have the remotest idea. Is it not, Sir, your duty now to spell this out for us and give us some practical advice on how to prepare ourselves to meet it?

At what stage do we dig up the delphiniums and plant the perpetual spinach? At what stage do we let the lawn grow and buy a couple of lambs? Most prudent readers will no doubt by now have constructed of their moats well advanced but it is not too late for some advice on drawbridges.

Finally, can you offer us any reassurance on Lord Chalfour's warning (August 5) that the Army might have to take over? To a former naval man that is the grillest prospect of all.

Yours faithfully,
PAUL WATKINS,
Pastures Farm,
Sotherton,
Halesworth, Suffolk.

Release from Broadmoor

From Mr Evelyn King, Conservative MP for Dorset South

Sir, There is now a lengthy list of criminals prematurely released from Broadmoor.

It is but three months since I was questioning the Home Secretary about my constituent, Terence Illiffe, who following the deaths of his first wife from cancer, and his second wife from alleged suicide, attempted to kill his third wife by locking her up in the bath of a motor car, and driving it over a quay, was sent to Broadmoor whence, despite that record, he too was prematurely released, whereupon within weeks he murdered a fourth wife and put her in a refrigerator.

In the past ten years ten persons have lost their lives on average one every year—at the hands of killers released from Broadmoor. Within Broadmoor in four years to 1972 there were 11 suicides and 50 attempts; in the past 18 months one inmate has killed another, innumerable assaults and some arson.

In such a situation sympathy goes of course to the general public victims of mortal error. Sympathy goes also to psychiatrists, psychotherapists and indeed all staff. The hideous difficulty of the decisions they must take is understood.

At the Home Office itself is record as well as recommendation sufficiently stated? Are there 800 patients? Is it a fact that a patient receives psychiatric treatment on average 10 minutes once every year? Is the system working or does it approach breakdown?

Do those who speak in Courts, a little glibly, of "psychiatric treatment" think it really happens? Or do they understand that it is not its success or failure rate that is in question but that it is, in any meaningful sense, being used at all? In this context Lord Butler's interim report is not immediately helpful.

In a humane society the present situation is not tolerable, either by the public or by the staff or by the patient. It cries aloud for urgent examination. Is it not time for Home Secretaries to note the scale of error and to reconsider the advice they are receiving?

Yours truly,
EVELYN KING,
House of Commons.

Britain and the EEC

From Professor J. H. Burn, FRSE

Sir, It is indeed strange that anyone suggests that entry into the Common Market should be decided by a referendum. History is a good guide when the circumstances of the Act of Union in 1707 between England and Scotland are considered.

G. M. Trevelyan in his History of England points out that in Scotland "Trade and industry were still on a very small scale", and that "Glasgow had as yet no shippers of its own." The Act opened the small, home-grown, and unmarked to Scottish industry and agriculture, and made the Scots participants in England's trade privileges all the world over.

But the Union involved the absorption of Scotland's Parliament and Privy Council in those of England. It was a bitter sacrifice of Scotland's pride, but it was the necessary price for her material and economic expansion.

Now if the Union had been decided at the time by referendum, can anyone doubt that the Scots would have refused to join?

Television and crime

From Mr Denis Forman

Sir, The incidence of violent crime in the United Kingdom may be attributed to a number of causes, including the effect of World War II upon children born in the late thirties and early forties, the increase in the number of broken homes, the extra year (now two years) added to the school leaving age coupled with the shortage of work for school leavers, the problem of integrating immigrant communities into the life of our large cities, the persistence of sub-standard living and social conditions, and others.

Violence in Britain, however, is not an isolated phenomenon. It must be seen against a rising level of world violence in many parts of the world, including the United States, Africa, Latin America, Northern Ireland and in the semi-military war zones of Vietnam and the Middle East. Amongst the most horrifying of recent developments have been murder by bomb and the threat of death to airline passengers and others by hijackers and extremists.

All of this is reflected by television, along with the other media. Whether or not any part of this violence is stimulated by a small number of television programmes which include violent action is a matter for conjecture and continuing study. Most of us who work in television would accept the phrase quoted by Mr Holbrook (letter, August 3) that there is a "modest connection" between screen violence and violence in society. But the interaction between television and society cannot be reduced to black and white arguments supported by the simplistic use of statistics.

It was certainly not the purpose

Schoolgirl language

From the Reverend R. W. D. Fenn

Sir, I fear your correspondent, Mr H. W. Fenn (August 5), is a little surprised when he arrives at his new comprehensive school. I have taught for several years in a mixed comprehensive and the girls are not only as well versed in Anglo-Saxon expletives as the boys, but also show a complete disregard for the sensitivities of the adults who may hear them, whereas on my recent visit to Mr Werton's former school, Cranleigh, where I spent some time with the boys and walked about the school unheralded, I noticed that they did at least show some discretion in the timing of their expletives; the girls at my school don't.

Yours faithfully,
R. W. D. FENN,
Glascwm Vicarage,
Llandrindod Wells, Powys.

Rubbish overboard

From Mr N. C. Brenton

Sir, On a recent trip across the Channel in the British Rail Sealink vessel, The Maid of Orleans, I had occasion to be sitting up on the deck eating lunch, due to the fact that it was overcrowded downstairs and I could find nowhere to sit. As I sat there, I watched with fascination as two of the crew emerged from below carrying between them a dustbin full of rubbish from the buffet, walked past the four giant rubbish containers standing on the deck, and calmly tipped the contents over the side of the boat.

What price "pollution-free" transport now?

Yours faithfully,
N. BRENTON,
Little Winhurst,
95 Seafrost,
Hayling Island, Hampshire.

Tastes of a squirrel

From Mr Peter Ury

Sir, *Russula adusta* is an edible mushroom, as any European from the Baltic to the Vienna Woods will confirm, and until Englishmen stop calling this excellent delicacy a mere roadstool, the squirrels in Sir Eric de Normann's garden (letter, August 3) should make the most of the deal he has offered them.

Yours sincerely,
PETER URY,
16 Daleham Gardens, NW3.

Statutory lie

From the Revd Mark Ruston

Sir, What Mr Constable has discovered about Kirklees Council (August 3) should be common practice among solicitors, of all people, for a long time.

As incumbent I receive the

Mark Ruston

legacies which grateful Christian folk make to their parish church. I therefore speak from some experience in this; but always ready to add to it. The executors' solicitors invariably demand a receipt, upon receipt of which they allege that they will make payment.

Disliking this, I now reply with suitable gratitude and add, rather formally, I, Mark Ruston, Clerk, Master of Arts, do hereby undertake to send a receipt immediately upon receiving. . . . It seems a long way round, but it works.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
MARK RUSTON,
Vicar of the Round Church and Rural Dean of Cambridge,
37 Jesus Lane, Cambridge.

It's a pity deaf people look normal.

When you see people who are starving, deformed, crippled—their needs are obvious. But deafness is different. You can't see it. So it's all too easy to dismiss someone as being stupid, dull or uncommunicative when their only fault is no fault of theirs: deafness.

With the money it raises entirely from donations, covenants and bequests, the RNID provides free advice, test and research facilities, welfare help and runs homes and training centres. We want to help all who are afflicted by deafness to lead as normal a life as possible.

And now we're asking you to help us help others. Any donation, however small, will make a real contribution.

The deaf may look normal, but they suffer in silence.

The Royal National Institute for the Deaf

(Patron: The Duke of Edinburgh, K.G.),
105 Gower Street,
London WC1E 6AH
Telephone: 01-387 8033



COURT CIRCULAR

HM YACHT BRITANNIA
August 7: The Queen arrived at Southampton Docks in the Royal Train this afternoon and having been received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Hampshire (the Earl of Halsbury) and the Mayor of Southampton (Councillor L. F. Goster), embarked on HM Yacht Britannia and sailed for Faslane, Dumfriesshire, escorted by HMS Ashanti (Commander J. P. Roberts-West, RN).
The Hon. Mary Morrison, Mr. Philip Woodcock, Rear-Admiral Ronald Forrest, Mr. Rodney Moore and Squadron Leader Peter Beer are in attendance.
By command of Her Majesty, the Lord Wells-Pestell (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, today upon the departure of the Governor-General of Grenada and bade farewell to His Excellency on behalf of The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE
August 7: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was present at a Service of Thanksgiving in St Magnus Cathedral, Kirkwall, this afternoon.
Rt. Hon. Lady Fermoy, Sir Ralph Anstruther, Lt. and Captain James Duncan Millar were in attendance.

Birthdays today
Lord Campbell of Eskan, 62; Mr Justice Gaultey, 64; Viscount Cobham, 65; Mr Graham Dawson, 61; Sir John Fletcher-Cooke, 63; Lord Henderson, 83; Major-General R. G. S. Hobbs, 66; Sir Desmond Longe, 60; Sir Denning Pearson, 66; Sir Hugh Rankin, 75; Professor J. Steers, 75; Lord Transmere, 71; Professor J. Yudkin, 64.

Today's engagements
Princess Anne, as president of Save the Children Fund, attends film premiere of *Caravan to Vaccines* in aid of the fund, Odeon Theatre, Leicester Square, 8. Exhibition *The Maya*, theatre and culture Museum of Mankind, 6 Burlington Gardens, 10.5. Exhibition of English Toy Theatres, Follock's Toy Museum, 1 Scala Street, 10.5. Band concert by the Band of the London Fire Brigade, College Garden, Westminster Abbey, 12.30.
Royal Mews, open to public, Buckingham Palace Road, 2-4.

25 years ago
From The Times of Monday, August 3, 1949.
All locomotive parts, including even nuts and bolts, have been tabulated, shown on specially drawn diagrams, and described in English, French, German, Spanish, and Portuguese, in a handbook which is being distributed to railway engineers all over the world by the British Locomotive Manufacturers' Association.
The handbook, which has 464 pages and has taken several years to prepare, is part of a campaign to standardize locomotive terms and so evade pitfalls of language when foreign engineers are giving the specification of engines for construction in this country.
British manufacturers have ordered to the value of £30m, of which four-fifths are for abroad. The industry was in the dollar export market almost from its infancy; indeed, as the handbook shows, six of the first 90 engines built in this country by 1831 were sent to America.

Marriages

Mr I. Hobhouse and Miss S. Sladen
The marriage took place on Saturday August 3, at the Church of All Saints, Writington, between Mr James Hobhouse, elder son of Mr Hugh Hobhouse, and Miss Sarah Sladen, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Sladen.
The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by five bridesmaids and two pages: Miss Julia and Miss Sophie Hobhouse, sisters of the bridegroom, Katharine and Pollyanna Hurst, Lucy Doughton, Peter Hughes and Edward Doughton, nieces and nephews of the bride, and Miss Elizabeth Sladen, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.
A reception was held at the home of the bride.

Mr N. E. H. Stowell and Miss E. Moxley
The marriage took place on Wednesday July 31 in London, of Mr Nigel Stowell and Miss Elizabeth Moxley. A reception was held at 30 Pavilion Road, SW1.

Church news

Diocece of Winchester
The Rev. A. J. Green, Vicar of Ruislip, will be in charge of the services in the parish of Ruislip, on August 10 and 11. The Rev. A. J. Green, Vicar of Ruislip, will be in charge of the services in the parish of Ruislip, on August 10 and 11.

Latest wills

Mr Cecil Parker Glorney, of Dublin and Nice, company director, left estate in England, Wales and the Republic of Ireland valued at £20,659 (duty paid, £4,444). He left £2,000 to the British Chess Federation, for the international junior chess tournament known as the Glorney Cup, £1,000 to Alexandra School and College, Dublin, and after other legacies and personal bequests, the residue to the Glorney Charitable Foundation.
Other estate are (net before duty paid): further duty may be payable on some estates):
Bean, Kate Ruth, of Salden (duty paid, £42,065) £116,744
Beching, Dorothy Edith, of Becheyheath (duty paid, £44,890) £112,300
Hobbs, Mr William Walters, of Sydney, estate in England and Wales (duty paid, £7,210) £151,767
Ross, Mrs Lillian Leah, of St Marylebone, London (duty paid, £43,751) £118,078

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. C. Geddes and Miss J. V. Tan-Bund
The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of the late Hon. A. C. Geddes, OBE, M.C., and the Hon Mrs M. K. Geddes, of 27 South Terrace, SW7, and Jacqueline, younger daughter of Mme Isabelle Renaud, of Feistritz bei Kreighitz, Styria, Austria. The marriage will take place quietly in Austria.
Mr M. A. Bruce and Miss D. L. Lawson
The engagement is announced between the elder son of Mr Bruce, of 28 Stanford Road, Kensington, London, W8, and Diana, second daughter of Mrs Lawson, of 40 Hyde Park Gate, London SW7.
Dr A. R. Done and Miss A. J. Montgomery
The engagement is announced between Alan, younger son of Mr J. C. Done, of Burgess, Kent, and Miss A. J. Montgomery, of Done and Janet, only daughter of Commander M. E. Montgomery, of R.N. and Mrs Montgomery, of Kingshill Hill School, Kingshill, Oxfordshire.
Mr A. J. Wood and Miss D. J. H. Badham
The engagement is announced between Alan J. Wood, of Rookley Farm, Rookley, Isle of Wight, son of the late Mr E. C. Wood, C.E., and the late Mrs W. Wood, of Rookley, and Diana Jean Wood, of Hedgehog's House, Crowland, Hampshire, daughter of the late Colonel H. Hume Badham, OBE, and Mrs Badham, of Bramley, Fitzroy Road, Fleet, Hampshire.
Mr M. J. Speilman and Miss D. C. Rogers
The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr Speilman, of Slough, and Denise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. A. Rogers, of Bedwas.



Rehearsals have started for the National Youth Theatre's 1974 Summer Season, its coming of age. The production is John Skelton's "Skelton's Magnificence", with John Ratcliff, aged 19, as Magnificence, surrounded here by the cast's five girls as Despair, Poverty, Adversity, Mischief and Redress.

Latest wills

Mr Cecil Parker Glorney, of Dublin and Nice, company director, left estate in England, Wales and the Republic of Ireland valued at £20,659 (duty paid, £4,444). He left £2,000 to the British Chess Federation, for the international junior chess tournament known as the Glorney Cup, £1,000 to Alexandra School and College, Dublin, and after other legacies and personal bequests, the residue to the Glorney Charitable Foundation.
Other estate are (net before duty paid): further duty may be payable on some estates):
Bean, Kate Ruth, of Salden (duty paid, £42,065) £116,744
Beching, Dorothy Edith, of Becheyheath (duty paid, £44,890) £112,300
Hobbs, Mr William Walters, of Sydney, estate in England and Wales (duty paid, £7,210) £151,767
Ross, Mrs Lillian Leah, of St Marylebone, London (duty paid, £43,751) £118,078

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. C. Geddes and Miss J. V. Tan-Bund
The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of the late Hon. A. C. Geddes, OBE, M.C., and the Hon Mrs M. K. Geddes, of 27 South Terrace, SW7, and Jacqueline, younger daughter of Mme Isabelle Renaud, of Feistritz bei Kreighitz, Styria, Austria. The marriage will take place quietly in Austria.
Mr M. A. Bruce and Miss D. L. Lawson
The engagement is announced between the elder son of Mr Bruce, of 28 Stanford Road, Kensington, London, W8, and Diana, second daughter of Mrs Lawson, of 40 Hyde Park Gate, London SW7.
Dr A. R. Done and Miss A. J. Montgomery
The engagement is announced between Alan, younger son of Mr J. C. Done, of Burgess, Kent, and Miss A. J. Montgomery, of Done and Janet, only daughter of Commander M. E. Montgomery, of R.N. and Mrs Montgomery, of Kingshill Hill School, Kingshill, Oxfordshire.
Mr A. J. Wood and Miss D. J. H. Badham
The engagement is announced between Alan J. Wood, of Rookley Farm, Rookley, Isle of Wight, son of the late Mr E. C. Wood, C.E., and the late Mrs W. Wood, of Rookley, and Diana Jean Wood, of Hedgehog's House, Crowland, Hampshire, daughter of the late Colonel H. Hume Badham, OBE, and Mrs Badham, of Bramley, Fitzroy Road, Fleet, Hampshire.
Mr M. J. Speilman and Miss D. C. Rogers
The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr Speilman, of Slough, and Denise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. A. Rogers, of Bedwas.

Latest wills

Mr Cecil Parker Glorney, of Dublin and Nice, company director, left estate in England, Wales and the Republic of Ireland valued at £20,659 (duty paid, £4,444). He left £2,000 to the British Chess Federation, for the international junior chess tournament known as the Glorney Cup, £1,000 to Alexandra School and College, Dublin, and after other legacies and personal bequests, the residue to the Glorney Charitable Foundation.
Other estate are (net before duty paid): further duty may be payable on some estates):
Bean, Kate Ruth, of Salden (duty paid, £42,065) £116,744
Beching, Dorothy Edith, of Becheyheath (duty paid, £44,890) £112,300
Hobbs, Mr William Walters, of Sydney, estate in England and Wales (duty paid, £7,210) £151,767
Ross, Mrs Lillian Leah, of St Marylebone, London (duty paid, £43,751) £118,078

Forthcoming marriages

Mr A. C. Geddes and Miss J. V. Tan-Bund
The engagement is announced between Andrew, elder son of the late Hon. A. C. Geddes, OBE, M.C., and the Hon Mrs M. K. Geddes, of 27 South Terrace, SW7, and Jacqueline, younger daughter of Mme Isabelle Renaud, of Feistritz bei Kreighitz, Styria, Austria. The marriage will take place quietly in Austria.
Mr M. A. Bruce and Miss D. L. Lawson
The engagement is announced between the elder son of Mr Bruce, of 28 Stanford Road, Kensington, London, W8, and Diana, second daughter of Mrs Lawson, of 40 Hyde Park Gate, London SW7.
Dr A. R. Done and Miss A. J. Montgomery
The engagement is announced between Alan, younger son of Mr J. C. Done, of Burgess, Kent, and Miss A. J. Montgomery, of Done and Janet, only daughter of Commander M. E. Montgomery, of R.N. and Mrs Montgomery, of Kingshill Hill School, Kingshill, Oxfordshire.
Mr A. J. Wood and Miss D. J. H. Badham
The engagement is announced between Alan J. Wood, of Rookley Farm, Rookley, Isle of Wight, son of the late Mr E. C. Wood, C.E., and the late Mrs W. Wood, of Rookley, and Diana Jean Wood, of Hedgehog's House, Crowland, Hampshire, daughter of the late Colonel H. Hume Badham, OBE, and Mrs Badham, of Bramley, Fitzroy Road, Fleet, Hampshire.
Mr M. J. Speilman and Miss D. C. Rogers
The engagement is announced between Michael, only son of Mr Speilman, of Slough, and Denise, only daughter of Mr and Mrs W. A. Rogers, of Bedwas.



Miles keeps his chess lead
Manila, Aug 7.—Tony Miles of England kept his lead in the World Junior Chess Championship by drawing his fourth round game with Peter Winston of the United States, after 30 moves.
Miles has so far scored 3.5 points and needs only one more point in the final tournament to secure a place in the nine-man finals.—Reuter.

The Pope names successor to dissident abbot

Rome, Aug 7.—The Pope has named Don Giuseppe Turbessi to succeed Don Giovanni Franzoni as head of the Benedictine Abbey of St Paul Outside the Walls.
Father Franzoni resigned as abbot in July, 1973, after accusing the Roman Curia of clericalism and materialism. He established an independent religious community near St Paul's. In May he was suspended from priestly activities.

Science report Ecology: Primeval forest into peat bog

When Neolithic man settled down to farm the uplands of Britain between 4,000 and 5,000 years ago, the regions were not the bleak heathland moors we know today. They were covered with primeval forest, sometimes up to a height of 1,800 feet.
Evidence from shallow peat bogs—so-called "blanket bogs"—abundant on the heaths and moors of western and northern Britain, shows that the prehistoric farmers may well have helped to start the metamorphosis of woodland to peatland that changed the British landscape so drastically.
Peat is formed when fibrous plant materials are not broken down by micro-organisms (of which the forest floor is full) but become waterlogged, which could have happened on the upland sites as the rainfall increased and the trees disappeared, either naturally or through man's intervention.
In papers in *Nature* over the past few years, Peter Moore of the Botany Department at King's College London, has reported analyses of the types of pollen found in the peat layers at various sites. Pollen from different plants and trees is preserved in the peat, where there is little microbial decomposition, and the different types of pollen are characteristic of different layers.
The pollen record can give an outline of the successive changes in vegetation at the site, which led to the formation of the blanket bog. Catches of radiocarbon dating of the layers, that can build up a picture of the pattern of settlement in the area which, in turn, throws light on some of the stresses that turned primeval woodland into moor and heath.
In the deepest layers of the peat bogs, which are usually pollen-free, there is a high proportion of elm and pine, or an Exmoor site and of alder on a wetter Welsh upland site) abound, indicating the undisturbed woodland before the arrival of farming cultures.
On Exmoor at a site called The Chains, the peats began to form at about the time that the climate was becoming wetter and colder, a time that palaeoecologists call the "elm decline", when the deciduous forests of elm and oak were under stress in the north as the climate deteriorated.

Obituary

MR OTTO LOEB German wine shipper

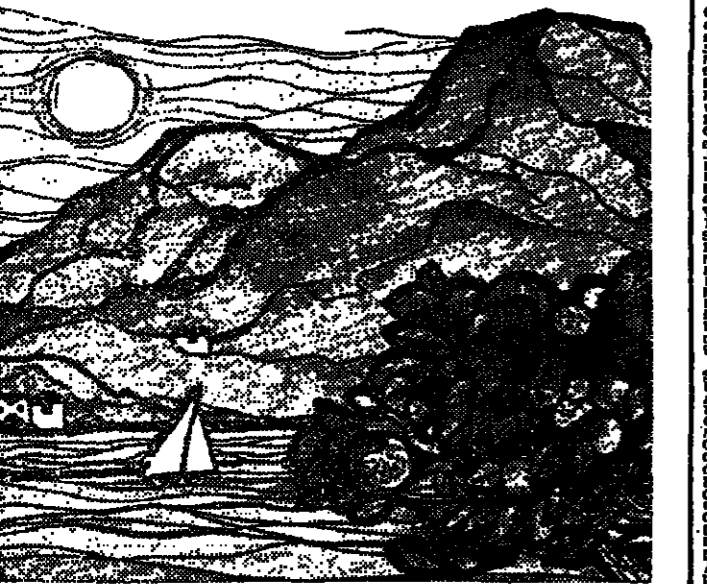
Mr Otto Wolfgang Loeb, director and former chairman of O. W. Loeb & Company Ltd, died on August 4 at the age of 76.
Pamela Vandayke Price writes: Otto Loeb, a small, soft-spoken man, was one of the most genial personalities in the world of German wine shippers in London, in addition to being a respected member of a family and firm of shippers in Trieste. He was dedicated to the attainment of the highest standards of quality in the wines he knew and loved, and the only enemy made were those who, in his view, compromised with these standards and the strict pursuit for truth that dominated his working life. His interest in wines new to Britain was as alert as his regard for the classic, and it was his personal enthusiasm that introduced Chilean wines of moderate quality to the United Kingdom. In an academic and professional circles as well as those of all aspects of the music that he loved perhaps as much as his wine, he was honoured as a great connoisseur of wine as well as a friend. Towards those who tried to learn about wine his gentle often slyly witty tuition and warmth of heart made him a master. He was a most attentive, will mourn and miss him. He was a valuable and lasting memorial.
SIR FREDERICK BRUNDETT
J.A.E.M. writes: It is possible that history will remember Sir Frederick Brunnett—and that he would have chosen to be remembered himself—not as a distinguished civil servant and scientist but as one of the founding fathers of the British agricultural cooperative movement. From its formation in 1945 until 1966 he was a council member of the Agricultural Cooperative Association and for most of that period, its chair. His influence was seen in these cooperatives much of its economic influence and politics recognition which they subsequently enjoyed, and which earned a national reputation for Sir Fred as a farmers' leader that even his death will hardly extinguish.
Hsieh Fu-Min, a member of the Standing Committee of the Chinese National People's Congress and chairman of the Nationalities Committee, has died aged 64. He joined the Chinese Communist Party in 1931 and took part in the Long March.

The long summer of the arts in the land of Vesuvius (up until October)

In Campania, full time holidays this year. Sun, mountains, thermal treatment, archaeological and art itineraries.
But, in addition, till October, opera and ancient drama in Pompeii, Benevento, Paestum and Velia; theatre, ballet, music and film performances in Positano and Amalfi; Wagnerian concerts in Ravello; musical and cinematographic events in Sorrento; concerts at Capodimonte and a festival of comic opera in Naples; "September in the medieval City" of Caserta; "Maremoda" fashion-shows on Capri; concerts and plays in Ispica, on Ischia, at the Carthusian monasteries of Padula and Capri, at the castles and the monumental sites of the Region.

Campania

An invitation to Campania
a Region of Italy
For information apply to: ENTE PROVINCIALE PER IL TURISMO in Napoli, Avellino, Benevento, Caserta and Salerno



Oxford class lists: English language and literature

The following class lists have been issued at Oxford University, with the third class omitted:

ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE
CLASS I: D. H. Lawrence, *Sons and Lovers*; *Women in Durance*; *Under the Greenwood Tree*; *Women in Solitude*; *Women in Revolt*; *Women in Power*; *Women in the Struggle*; *Women in the Storm*; *Women in the Sun*; *Women in the Wind*; *Women in the Rain*; *Women in the Snow*; *Women in the Ice*; *Women in the Fire*; *Women in the Earth*; *Women in the Air*; *Women in the Water*; *Women in the Wood*; *Women in the Field*; *Women in the Garden*; *Women in the House*; *Women in the Street*; *Women in the Town*; *Women in the Country*; *Women in the World*.

CLASS II: M. A. Bennett, *Under the Greenwood Tree*; *Women in Solitude*; *Women in Revolt*; *Women in the Struggle*; *Women in the Storm*; *Women in the Sun*; *Women in the Wind*; *Women in the Rain*; *Women in the Snow*; *Women in the Ice*; *Women in the Fire*; *Women in the Earth*; *Women in the Air*; *Women in the Water*; *Women in the Wood*; *Women in the Field*; *Women in the Garden*; *Women in the House*; *Women in the Street*; *Women in the Town*; *Women in the Country*; *Women in the World*.

CLASS III: M. A. Bennett, *Under the Greenwood Tree*; *Women in Solitude*; *Women in Revolt*; *Women in the Struggle*; *Women in the Storm*; *Women in the Sun*; *Women in the Wind*; *Women in the Rain*; *Women in the Snow*; *Women in the Ice*; *Women in the Fire*; *Women in the Earth*; *Women in the Air*; *Women in the Water*; *Women in the Wood*; *Women in the Field*; *Women in the Garden*; *Women in the House*; *Women in the Street*; *Women in the Town*; *Women in the Country*; *Women in the World*.

The following class list has been issued at Oxford University, with the third class omitted:

HONOUR MODERATIONS: ENGLISH LANGUAGE
CLASS I: D. H. Lawrence, *Sons and Lovers*; *Women in Durance*; *Under the Greenwood Tree*; *Women in Solitude*; *Women in Revolt*; *Women in the Struggle*; *Women in the Storm*; *Women in the Sun*; *Women in the Wind*; *Women in the Rain*; *Women in the Snow*; *Women in the Ice*; *Women in the Fire*; *Women in the Earth*; *Women in the Air*; *Women in the Water*; *Women in the Wood*; *Women in the Field*; *Women in the Garden*; *Women in the House*; *Women in the Street*; *Women in the Town*; *Women in the Country*; *Women in the World*.

حکومت الامم المتحدة

THE TIMES BUSINESS NEWS

Ansafone
18 Upper Brook Street, London W1Y 2HS.
Let Ansafone answer your phone
01-629 9232

Your protection is our business



British Leyland seeks speed-up of scheme to cut its work force

By Clifford Webb
British Leyland is expected to speed up its scheme to cut its work force by 10 per cent in the next few weeks. The company is expected to announce the details of its plan to reduce its work force by 10 per cent in the next few weeks. The company is expected to announce the details of its plan to reduce its work force by 10 per cent in the next few weeks. The company is expected to announce the details of its plan to reduce its work force by 10 per cent in the next few weeks.

Wales TUC attacks steel closure policy

By Alan Hamilton
Labour Staff
Criticism was made yesterday of the British Steel Corporation's programme of closing outdated steelworks, which is expected to create up to 18,000 redundancies in Wales alone, by the recently-formed Wales Trades Union Congress.

Engineers' union preparing huge pay package for early next year

By R. W. Shakespeare
Leaders of 2,500,000 engineering workers who meet in York today will prepare for their next industry-wide claims on pay and conditions. This is likely to be the biggest package of demands ever tabled with the Engineering Employers' Federation.

makers' leader who referred to the "political minefield" in which the unions were then operating.
On the other hand the executive, meeting for the first time since the annual conference, is now aware that the largest of the engineering unions, Mr Hugh Scanlon's AUEW has called an emergency meeting of its policy-making national committee for November 5, specially to consider the new engineering claim.

Delay over American Trade Reform Bill threatens Gatt dates

From Frank Vogl Washington, Aug 7
Prospects of the United States Trade Reform Bill getting through Congress in the near future are now extremely remote. It is most likely that the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (Gatt) will have to rearrange completely the plans it has made for a new round of world trade liberalization talks next year.

Hill Samuel in US plea over Herstatt

By David Blake
Hill Samuel and the First National City Bank of New York have filed a joint petition in a New York federal district court asking for a declaration that I. D. Herstatt of Cologne is bankrupt under United States laws.

Retail case for easing curbs ready

By Patricia Tisdall
At an exhaustive meeting in London yesterday, the Retail Consortium finalized its arguments for changes to government controls on prices and profits.

Alcan (UK) deliveries hit by Canadian cuts

By Edward Townsend
Alcan (UK), one of the country's biggest aluminium suppliers, last night declared force majeure on its supply commitments in the United Kingdom, Eire and Scandinavia because of a cut in aluminium deliveries from Canada.

Union leader angered by Benn 'snub'

By Our Northern Industrial Correspondent
Mr Dan McGarvey, president of the Boilermakers' Union and chairman of the Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Firms, which are the engineering firms which are the result of a complexity of piecemeal, bonus schemes and other payment systems.

Fresh Nixon resignation rumours boost Wall St

New York, Aug 7.—Share prices leapt ahead again today, making one of the largest gains in months, on speculation that President Nixon will resign.

Government and builders to set up joint committee

By Malcolm Brown
Whichall and the building industry are to set up a joint committee to examine the problems of private housing.

BP gets \$350m loan for Alaska pipeline

British Petroleum has arranged a \$350m (£145m) loan from a syndicate of 30 American banks led by Morgan Guaranty Trust to finance its share of the trans-Alaskan pipeline.

Oil chief stresses vital role of shale deposits

From Our US Economics Correspondent Washington, Aug 7
The Federal Energy Authority is hoping to finalize Project Independence by November, shale oil's position in the plans of energy as one of the most controversial issues.

More Honda plants abroad

Tokyo, Aug 7.—Honda, the Japanese motor-cycle manufacturer, plans to set up assembly plants in 26 more countries, the company announced today.

Three directors of Corporate Guarantee resign

Three non-executive directors of Corporate Guarantee Trust, a member of the consortium involved in a bid to acquire Ashbourne Investments, have resigned after the consortium's refusal to implement a Takeover Panel directive.

BRITISH TAR PRODUCTS LIMITED

Years ended 31st March	1972	1973	1974
Profits before Tax	180,371	226,703	757,589
Earnings per share	1.74p	2.44p	5.28p
Gross Dividends per share	81p	95p	1.00p

The results for the year incorporate those of Wymouth Lehr & Fatolls Ltd. and William Pearson Ltd., which companies were acquired during the year.

The group turnover was £7,937,975 (1973 £2,253,597) including exports of £1,805,475 (1973 £211,563).

The Storage and the Chemical manufacturing and trading activities all contributed to the rise in profits.

The investment policy in new and existing projects will continue in view of the healthy financial condition of the Company and its strong and proven management team.

The current year has started well and the Board is confident of future prospects.

P. H. Lloyd,
Chairman.

Copies of the report are available from the Secretary, 123 Pall Mall, London SW1Y 5EA.

Gulf States Co sues over gas contract

Beaumont, Texas, Aug 7.—Gulf States Utilities Co has filed a multi-million dollar damage suit in Louisiana District Court against United Gas Pipeline Co, a Pennzoil subsidiary, over United Gas's failure to supply the contracted amount of natural gas.

How the markets moved

Rises	Falls
Barlow Rand 10p to 180p	Hamsterley 10p to 85p
Corn Tin 2p to 162p	Ladbroke 2p to 122p
Campari 1p to 30p	Lafarge 2p to 11p
Dunelm W. 20p to 194p	Northern Devs 1p to 11p
Gutteridge Corp 1p to 194p	Prov Clothing 7p to 58p
Hammerston 5p to 310p	Wms Hudson 4p to 30p
Roechst 8p to 275p	Western Mining 5p to 85p

THE POUND

	Bank buys	Bank sells
Australia \$	1.665	1.62
Austria Sch	44.50	42.50
Belgium Fr	95.25	92.50
Canada C\$	3.31	3.25
Denmark Kr	14.45	14.05
Finland Mkk	9.00	8.75
France Fr	11.40	11.10
Germany DM	6.25	6.05
Greece Dr	73.00	70.00
Hongkong \$	12.25	11.90
India Ru	1620.00	1570.00
Italy Lr	745.00	720.00
Netherlands Gld	5.40	5.20
Norway Kr	13.10	12.75
Portugal Esc	62.25	58.75
S Africa Rd	1.91	1.85
Spain Pes	137.50	133.30
Sweden Kr	10.60	10.30
Switzerland Fr	2.30	2.25
Texas AG Deutsche BP AG	2.425	2.375
Yugoslavia Dnr	37.00	35.00

CELESTION INDUSTRIES LIMITED

Mr. D. D. Prenz (Chairman) reports on the year ended 31st March, 1974.

- * TURNOVER INCREASE**
From £5,424,000 to £6,234,600.
Exports increased from £735,300 to £1,176,900.
- * PRE-TAX PROFIT INCREASE**
From £480,349 to £532,560.
- * DIVIDEND INCREASE**
From 9.45% to 9.9225% (Gross)
Maximum allowed.
- * FINANCIAL STRENGTH**
Shareholders' funds have increased by more than £1 million over the last 5 years.

Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from the Secretary at
130 Mount Street, London, W1Y 5HA.
Telephone: 01-499 5641

On other pages

Appointments vacant	7
Financial Editor	21
Financial News	21
Letters	18
Diary	21
Wall Street	21

Market reports

Share prices	22
Bank Base Rates Table	23
Company Meeting Reports	18
British Tar Products	17
Celestion Industries	17

Humphries Holdings

Interim Statements	18
Anglo-International	18
Investment Trust	18
General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation	22

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Some comfort in GA's underwriting trend

main question, it would be to move into the non-insurance companies, but how fast the underwriting situation is deteriorating is debatable.

To see how the underwriting trend for GA is faring, one should look at the underwriting ratio, which is a ratio of the amount of business written to the amount of reserves available. A ratio of 100% indicates that the company is writing as much business as it can afford to underwrite.

The underwriting ratio for GA is currently 106.7, indicating that the company is writing 6.7% more business than it can afford to underwrite. This is a significant improvement over the previous year, when the ratio was 101.5.

The improvement is due to a number of factors, including a decline in the cost of reinsurance and a rise in the price of reinsurance. The decline in the cost of reinsurance is due to a number of factors, including a decline in the cost of reinsurance and a rise in the price of reinsurance.



Mr. A. Gourvitch, chairman of Phoenix Timber, slumps in home demand.

some other companies on the periphery of North Sea exploration, but there remains an element of risk in a p/e ratio and yield of 7.7 and 7.1 per cent respectively with the shares at 111p.

At present the group has an interest in 15 licensed blocks in the North Sea through its membership of two consortia headed by Ranger Oil and Total Oil Marine. It has had a notable find in the Ninian Field through a 3.75 per cent interest in block 3/8 and certain of its other interests are reckoned to have good prospects.

What cannot be ignored, however, is that Cavood's share of the development costs for the Ninian Field are estimated at £3m excluding interest charges, a sizable sum in relation to the equity base. Financing arrangements are under consideration. Until it is clear how much of the equity the group can hope to retain in the ultimate income, the rating is inevitably taking something on trust.

That does not mean, of course, that the shares cannot look forward to further excitement if there are more successes in exploration. In the meantime the group is no longer so dependent on its traditional fuel distribution business which accounted for only 48.5 per cent of profits last year, and in the current year first quarter profits are ahead of the comparable period. As North Sea investments go this ranks as one of the more respectable counters.

Accounts: 1973-74 (1972-73)
 Capitalization £12.2m
 Net assets £8.33m (£7.68m)
 Net cash £0.59m (£0.63m)*
 Pre-tax profit £3.41m (£3.01m)
 Earnings per share 14.4p (15.8p)
 * net borrowings

Phoenix Timber Stock losses looming

The £331,000 which Phoenix Timber has written off stocks or provided against forward purchase contracts tells all as far as the changed picture in timber importation is concerned. The stock profits that importers enjoyed in 1973 have given way to the almost certain prospect of stock losses in 1974.

While shippers' prices are still reflecting the record levels reached last year, domestic demand for softwoods from the construction industry and for hardwoods in furniture have slumped. Demand for composite sheet materials is hardly what it was either.

Phoenix buys most of its timber at the end of March but the 1973/74 stock loss provision was made only one month ago and in that sense is at least realistic in the light of prevailing selling prices. Where prices go from here is anyone's guess, however.

Although timber shares never fully reflected the stock profit boom, they have still fallen fairly sharply of late. Thus the historic p/e ratio of just under 24 for Phoenix at 10p is now untypical of the sector. The Phoenix yield of 6.7 per cent is hardly exciting but there was a net asset value of 158p a share at the previous year-end and there is the possibility that the Austin-Hill Group, which took over the Jessel stake in Phoenix and now has 25.4 per cent of the equity, may be tempted to go for a bid.

Final: 1973/74 (1972/73)*
 Capitalization £2m
 Sales £30.9m (£14.3m)
 Pre-tax profits £2.3m (£1.1m)
 Earnings per share 32.3p (22.4p)
 Dividend gross 4.68p (3.35p)
 * nine months

Waiting for the financing details

Cawoods Holdings can boast a rather more solid record than

Corah Rationalization works through

An unusually lengthy and optimistic interim report from Corah must please its fans. Pre-tax profits are up by 43 per cent, and the group does not appear to be in the slightest perturbed about growth prospects for the rest of the year, which must make it the odd man out in the textile sector at the moment.

A good half of the interim improvement, though, must have come from rationalization, given a rise in turnover of just 71 per cent for the period. And it would be interesting to know how other groups accounted for extra costs incurred during the three-day week, which Corah estimates at £212,000 and has included as an exceptional item.

Corah has been forecasting a levelling out of profitability between the two halves of the year for quite some time now. What that appears to mean, in context of buoyant order books, is that pre-tax profits in the second half will top last year's £1.4m, but by a smaller margin than the interim improvement.

So market estimates are of £2.4m pre-tax for the year, an increase of around a fifth, suggesting a prospective p/e ratio of just over 6 for the shares at 33p, up 11p yesterday. Additionally, the group's new manufacturing capacity in Canada, designed to back up Marks & Spencer's operations there, can be expected to go into profit in 1975. The shares look interesting at current levels.

Interim: Corah 1974 (1973)
 Capitalization £7m
 Sales £11.1m (£10.3m)
 Pre-tax profits £0.847m (£0.593m)
 Dividend gross 1.4p (1.25p)

Business Diary: Sir Denys regrets...



Sir Charles, Ian Lawson, Cosgrave: less light than heat

There were seats for only 30 or so people in the small boardroom but long before the board meeting had started, there were many more shareholders and reporters crowding the doorway and the landing behind.

Sir Charles Johnston, Australian Estates' chairman of 24 hours' standing, began by remarking: "I see there is a quorum... which is the understatement of the year."

This opening salvo over, the meeting went quickly downhill. It ought to have been an occasion for rejoicing, with Sir Denys graciously accepting the tributes for his shareholders, for the business of the day was to report a record profit of £7.2m, compared with £3.4m for the year before, together with news from Australia of encouraging prospects for the company's sugar, sheep and cattle interests.

Sir Charles said that he was fully conscious of his inade-

quacies as chairman, although as High Commissioner in Australia between 1965 and 1971, when he joined the board, he had known the group's operations well.

"Whatever Sir Denys has done," he went on, "in Australia he has done an excellent job in the 25 years of his chairmanship."

It was, however, left to Sir Charles to handle the angry questioning, which was far less concerned with the record profit than with the report of the auditors, Touche Ross and Co.

This said that an independent valuation of the sale in the previous year of investments in Angus Milling (Holdings) Limited and South Winnipeg Limited, had "given rise to the receipt of an additional £40,048 to the company."

These were the sales, to companies with which Australian Estates directors were associ-

ated (Sir Denys having been chairman of South Winnipeg), which led to the group being the subject of a separate and current Department of Trade inquiry.

Norman Cosgrave, who later described himself as an investment banker representing "quite a lot" of shareholders, angrily asked just who had made this "independent valuation" and whether all the directors had approved of the terms under which the Angus and South Winnipeg shares were sold?

Sir Charles at first said that these matters were "sub-judice, being the subject of a D of T inquiry. Cosgrave, who appeared as unsure of his facts as Sir Charles, momentarily accepted this with ill grace until, prompted by an adviser, he snapped that the matter was not sub-judice.

There followed a quick consultation with Australian's solicitors, Freshfields, whereupon it was confirmed that the matters were indeed not sub-judice but that Sir Charles nevertheless wished to be excused from discussing matters still under inquiry.

Cosgrave rather lamely let this go, but Sir Charles quickly found himself in fresh mire when another shareholder asked whether he was aware that Rupert Murdoch, the chairman of News International, had built up a substantial stake in Australian and whether his intentions were known?

Sir Charles affirmed that Murdoch's stake was in non-

Tim Congdon examines one form of inflation proofing

The unresolved questions which surround indexation

Still more important are the implications of the alternative methods for taxation.

Although the situation is not altogether clear, indexation by Method 1 would result in the inflation element in the return being taxed as income, while indexation by Method 2 might be described as a capital gain taxed as a capital gain. The Inland Revenue says that it would depend on the terms of the issues."

The assets which have been most widely suggested as suitable for correction are Government securities, debentures, savings in life insurance building societies, and bank loans and deposits.

This leaves unanswered two crucial questions. The first is: what about contracts which run for about a year? The support of indexation aside this difficulty by assuming that there is a rigid demarcation between long-term and short-term contracts.

In practice, the demarcation is not rigid and a number of problems arise. For example, suppose that banks agreed to adjust for inflation after a year. Then someone would be highly reluctant to run down his deposits at the 10 or 11-month phase.

This would lead to distortions and would probably encourage the development of new financial middlemen. Someone holding a security which would be adjusted upwards on January 1 might want cash on December 2. He would, therefore, try to sell it as a premium-free note. The purchaser could pocket the adjustment when it became due.

This is a standard and rather uninteresting financial arrangement, similar to acceptance of a bill by a merchant. It is unnecessary (in the indexation case), absorbs resources and is a nuisance. The difficulty is particularly

HYPOTHETICAL INDEX BOND					
£1,000 five-year bond issued in 1968 at a real rate of 3 per cent.					
Year	UK consumer index (1958=100)	Price level percentage change	Payments each year		Principal
			Method 1	Method 2	
1968	100		£	£	
1969	105.2	5.2	82	31.56	
1970	112.6	6.5	85	32.60	
1971	122.6	9.5	126	35.78	
1972	131.0	6.8	98	35.60	
1973	142.0	8.4	114	42.60	
			£1,000	£1,420	

Source: Monetary Correction by Milton Friedman, Institute of Economic Affairs 1974, p. 25.

serious for hire purchase agreements, several types of labour contract (eg subcontracting work where the period of employment is between six months and a year) and most orders for capital equipment and consumer durables.

The second question is: what measure of inflation should be chosen? This issue also tends to be neglected because of a widespread and understandable belief that it is a matter of indifference which measure is selected.

The three main candidates are the index of retail prices, the index of wholesale prices and the gross domestic product deflator. The fact is, though, that these three have, in the past, tended to rise at different rates and their accelerations and decelerations have not been synchronized.

Wholesale prices usually rise more slowly than retail prices. Between 1970 and 1973, for example, retail prices went up by 28 per cent, while wholesale prices increased by 23.2 per cent.

The reason for this is that services have a high weighting in the retail price index and little weighting in wholesale prices. As wages rise they push up the price of services more than the price of most finished

certain framework of long-term contracts would be that inflation's unpredictable and occasionally adverse impact on the distribution of income and wealth would be moderated. In particular, the Government would no longer be able to borrow money from the poorer members of the saving public at a negative real rate of interest. The disadvantage of indexation is that it builds inflation into the economic system. As people adjust for inflation they are raising the nominal value of certain assets and this means that payments also have to be higher in money terms. This aggravates inflation further.

Milton Friedman, perhaps the most distinguished protagonist of indexation, has recently written a pamphlet for the Institute of Economic Affairs on *Monetary Correction* in which he denies this effect. "An escalator (or adjustment for inflation) goes into effect only as a result of a previous price increase." It does not, he feels, influence future inflation.

The objection to this argument is that there are two types of contract in the economy Mr Friedman is envisaging—the indexed and the non-indexed. It is difficult to believe that an automatic adjustment for the indexed contracts will not cause some spillover to the non-indexed—and this is where the worrying inflationary effect comes.

There are three further drawbacks to indexation. It is a tremendous administrative nuisance. It would cause devastation to existing fixed interest markets and dislocate mortgages and life insurance policies, a much more important consideration in sophisticated economies like the British and American than in fairly simple ones like the Brazilian. Finally, it would reduce the autonomy of monetary policy, which would have to be non-restrictive if indexation was not to be troublesome.

Carrying European science into space

A new phase in European space activity began earlier this summer, with the award of a £95m contract by the European Space Research Organisation to an international consortium led by VFW-Fokker/ERNO of West Germany.

The contract is to develop and build a manned orbital laboratory known as Spacelab, which will do its orbiting aboard a United States space shuttle vehicle beginning in 1980.

The space shuttle itself will be about the size of a BAC One-Eleven jet transport. It will be boosted into orbit by launching rockets, but will return to earth to land as a conventional aircraft.

While in orbit, the shuttle will open its 60ft long cargo bay doors on top of the fuselage to expose the Spacelab for its operational mission. Typically, the laboratory might consist of a pressurised module in which scientists and engineers can work, plus a number of unpressurised mounting platforms or pallets for automated experiments.

Both the main shuttle vehicle and the cargo bay laboratory will be reusable. The Spacelab will carry a crew of four, and is being designed for a life of 50 orbital flights, each lasting a week to a month, or a nominal life of 10 years.

Grafting the European participation on to the American shuttle programme has been a long international political struggle—with the individual European countries struggling among themselves most of the time.

But, on September 24 last year, a memorandum of understanding was signed in Washington between the United States National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the European Space Research Organization (whose demise

and rebirth as the European Space Agency continues to be fairly imminent).

This memorandum, backed by intergovernmental agreements, gives ESRO responsibility for designing, developing, building and operating the United States first Spacelab and associated equipment; ensuring the supply of further Spacelabs and components; and providing engineering support.

Spacelab is in effect one item—the most expensive item on the menu of projects from which the European countries can choose the meal of their choice. In a triple package which emerged last year, the French chose a launcher, the Ariane rocket, as their main course, while Britain found the Marots marine communications satellite to her taste and West Germany was greedy for Spacelab.

Thus Germany has shouldered the largest single share of the Spacelab cost. Just how large emerged recently in a lecture to the Royal Aeronautical Society in London by Dr D. J. Shapland, of ESRO headquarters, Paris.

Germany is paying no less than 54.1 per cent of the Spacelab bill, Dr Shapland disclosed, compared with 18 per cent from Italy, 10 per cent from France and only 6.3 per cent from the United Kingdom.

The participating countries are Belgium (4.2 per cent), Spain (2.8), the Netherlands (2.1), Denmark (1.5) and Switzerland (1.0).

In return for these contributions, the Spacelab business is going, in appropriate proportions, to IBM and Sabca in Belgium; Kongslev and Thomsen in Denmark; Matra and Thomson-CSF in France; VFW-Fokker/ERNO, Dornier, AEG and SEL in Germany; Aeritalia, Caproni and Microtecnica in Italy; Fokker in the Nether-

lands; INTA and SENER in Spain; CIR in Switzerland; and Hawker Siddeley Dynamics in Britain.

Hawker Siddeley's share of the work is worth about £5m. It covers the design and construction of the Spacelab pallets, each of which must be able to carry three tons, the expected weight of a large astronomical telescope. This work is being managed by the space division of HSD at Stevenage, Hertfordshire.

"The first Spacelab flight is being jointly planned by ESRO and NASA and will include European and United States experiments", Dr Shapland told the Royal Aeronautical Society and it is contemplated that a European will be included in the flight crew. "Thereafter it appears likely that NASA will operate a small fleet of Spacelabs, perhaps about half a dozen in number. Although the first flight unit is provided free of charge, subsequent units will be procured in Europe.

"In fact, NASA has already given ESRO a firm order for a second Spacelab flight unit. Although no firm plans have been established, it may well be speculated that Europe, apart from its cooperative flights with NASA, may acquire and utilize a Spacelab of its own."

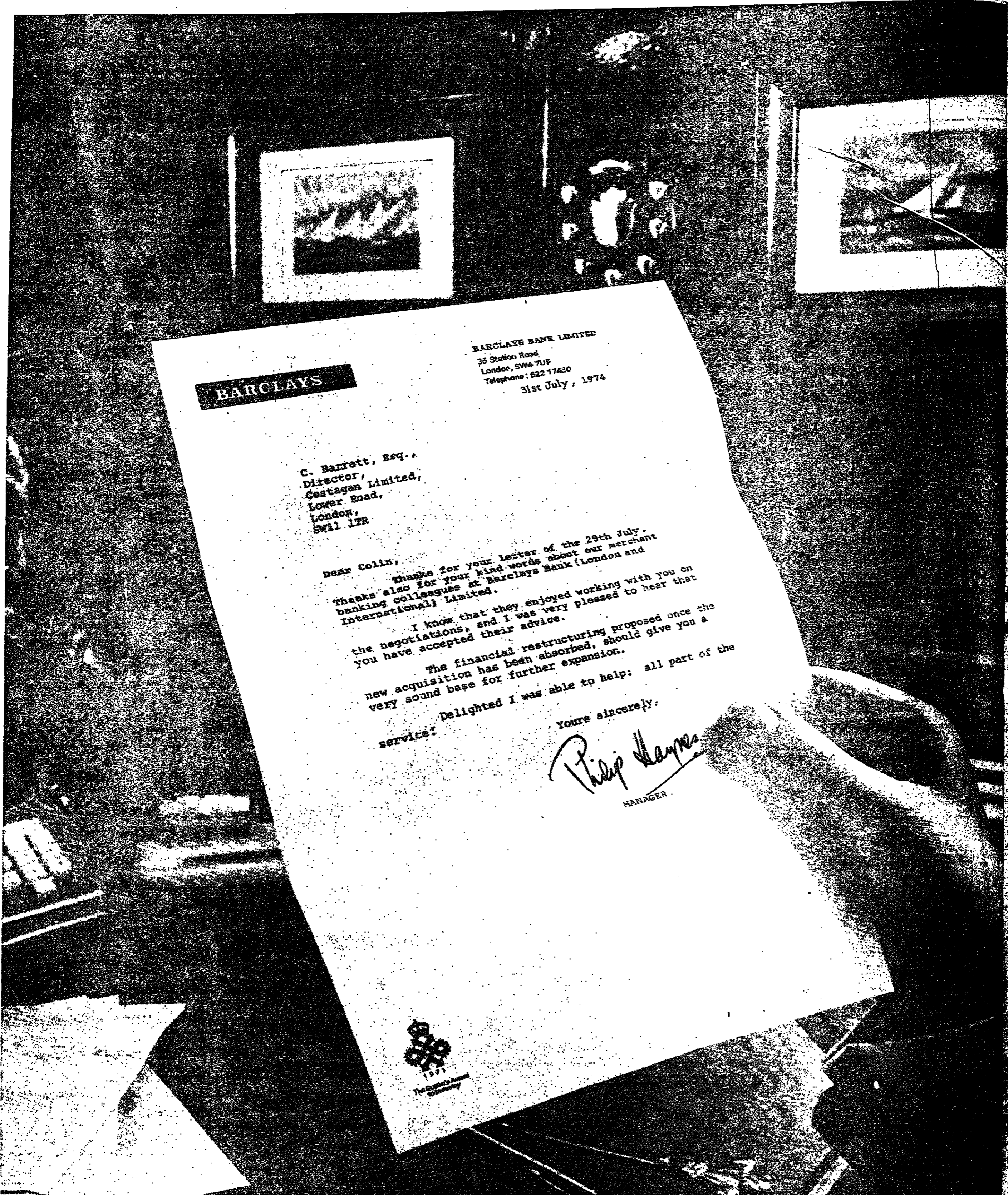
Kenneth Owen

Have you ever seen a fortune made from an idea you had years ago?

Chances are you didn't have the money to develop it thoroughly on your own. Large companies rarely look twice at other people's ideas. And if they do, they're the ones to rake in the profits. We're looking for eleven people just like you. Engineers. Scientists. Or anyone with an original, potentially profitable new product idea—determined to get it off the ground. We can offer you a place to work in Milton Keynes in Buckinghamshire at a workable rent. A panel of experts will be on hand with advice on how to finance your project. To help you in marketing. To advise you on the legal and accounting side. And whether or not you should look for a partner. In other words, you'll learn how to run a business for yourself. Your idea could be very simple. But we'd like you to show us a prototype, or give us clear details before choosing the final eleven. Don't worry, there aren't any strings attached. All it costs you is a minimum rent. After all, what better place to start a new industry than in a new city?

If you want to know more, write for an application form to:
 Bob Hill, Creation of New Enterprises,
 Milton Keynes Development Corporation,
 Wavendon Tower, Wavendon, Milton Keynes MK17 8LX.
 Or telephone Milton Keynes (0908) 74000.





BARCLAYS

BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED
35 Station Road
London, SW4 7UF
Telephone: 622 17430
31st July, 1974

C. Barrett, Esq.,
Director,
Costagan Limited,
Lower Road,
London,
SW11 1TR

Dear Colin,

Thanks for your letter of the 29th July.
Thanks also for your kind words about our merchant
banking colleagues at Barclays Bank (London and
International) Limited.

I know that they enjoyed working with you on
the negotiations, and I was very pleased to hear that
you have accepted their advice.

The financial restructuring proposed once the
new acquisition has been absorbed, should give you a
very sound base for further expansion.

Delighted I was able to help: all part of the
service.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Hayes

MANAGER



In order to protect the interests of our customers, the names and addresses in the above letter are fictional.

Factoring: Leasing: Merchant Banking Services: Pension Schemes
Insurance Broking: Medium Term Loans: Market Rate Deposits
Overdrafts: International Banking & Finance: Other business services.

BARCLAYS

The right choice for today's businessman.

سکتا من الال

FINANCIAL NEWS

Leonard Fairclough in agreed bid for Sir Lindsay Parkinson

By Margaret Drummond Leonard Fairclough has made a surprise agreed bid for Sir Lindsay Parkinson...

Profit from Hawtin but no payout yet

A profit has been returned by Hawtin, the banking and financial services group...

Stock markets Caution ahead of UDT and Shell

The London stock market refused to be led by Wall Street yesterday, preferring to fall back into its mood of caution...

Electronic Machine loss

Electronic Machine, the Surrey-based group making electronic and automatic devices...

Burgess sales up 36 pc

Freddie H. Burgess, the public unquoted group which claims to be Britain's largest distributors...

H. P. Bulmer

After a year in which taxable profits eased from £12.5m to £12.4m on turnover up from £12.2m to £14.9m...

Advance Elec in bid talks

Talks are taking place which may lead to a bid for Advance Electronics. The discussions have been a well-kept secret...

Briefly

OLIVES PAPER-MILL Turnover for half year £1.57m (£1.21m). Net profit £104,000 (£53,000)...

Wall Street

New York, Aug 6.—Wall Street stock prices again moved sharply higher, set by a 1 1/2 pct rise in Dow Jones Industrial average...

Analysts said the market was responding to speculation that President Nixon might soon step aside.

Why it takes a £2 million boat to catch a 20p fish

Traditionally fish is a cheap, high protein food. It also tastes good. That's why people in Britain eat 725,000 tons of fish a year.

That will find fish wherever they are. One that can clean, fillet and freeze fish when it's in prime condition.

Near shore or deep sea, we're trying to catch the maximum number of fish for the least cost. And the more cheaply we can catch fish, the more reasonable will be their price in the shops.

Associated Fisheries Limited Everybody has to eat.



For more information about us, write to J. Bennett, Associated Fisheries Limited, 18 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1.

Table of stock market data including company names, share prices, and dividends. Includes sections for Wall Street and Canadian Prices.

NY silver futures up 17 cents

New York, Aug 6.—COMEX SILVER futures rose 17 cents to 34.75 cents per ounce...

commodity markets both here and in Chicago. Soybeans, the Soybean complex recovered sharply from day's loss in 10 points higher in market...

سكز امن لامل

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Commodities

Sugar rises £10 to record £300

The London daily sugar price was yesterday raised to a new high of £300 a long ton—an increase of £10—on Tuesday.

1450-1470 tons. Cash futures, 1470-1475. Three months, 1470-1475. Six months, 1470-1475. Nine months, 1470-1475. Twelve months, 1470-1475.

COFFEE: Robusta futures continued to rise in the afternoon. The market was heavily influenced by the afternoon session of the New York market.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

EUROBOND PRICES (midday indicators)
5 STRAIGHTS Bid Offer
Arlene 8 1/2 1988 80 82

MINING
Gross sales during the period were \$108m against \$80m.

COMALCO PROFITS
Comalco raised its net profits after tax by 13 per cent to \$4.8m in the half year to June 30.

INTERNATIONAL NICKEL
Canada said over 5 million common shares of INCO are being tendered to its wholly-owned subsidiary, Inco Holdings, on Tuesday.

Bank Base Rates
Barclays Bank 12%
FNC 13%
Hill Samuel 12 1/2%

Foreign Exchange
US deals lift the dollar
The dollar closed stronger on foreign exchanges yesterday after a hefty boost from American deals as New York entered the market.

Credit plentiful
In the discount market yesterday, day-to-day credit was in full supply and the Bank of England was moving quite readily to assist the market.

Spot Position of Sterling
Market rates
New York 2/10 1/2
London 2/10 1/2

Forward Levels
Six Month
New York 2/10 1/2
London 2/10 1/2

Authorized Units, Insurance & Offshore Funds
1973-74 High Bid Offer Yield

INTERIM STATEMENT



The results for the six months ended 30th June, 1974, estimated and subject to audit, are compared below with those for the similar period in 1973, which are restated at 31st December, 1973 rates of exchange; also shown are the actual results for the full year 1973.

Table with 3 columns: 6 months 1973, 6 months 1974, Year 1973. Rows include Net written premiums, Investment Income, Underwriting Profit, etc.

Principal Exchange rates used in converting overseas results:
U.S.A. \$2.39
Canada \$2.33

Net written premiums and investment income, adjusted to exclude the effects of currency fluctuations, show increases of 11% and 25% respectively.

The figures for the half year have been dominated by exceptional weather claims as already reported. These losses together with that arising in the United Kingdom from the explosion at Flixborough give rise to aggregate provisions of approximately £6.5 million which have been charged in arriving at the underwriting profit for the six months.

There has been some reduction in the rate of premium growth in the United Kingdom in the second quarter. Nevertheless, and despite weather losses and those arising from Flixborough, a marginal underwriting profit was achieved for the half year.

In the United States net written premiums for the six months increased from \$162.3 million to \$170.4 million and the operating ratio was 98.5% compared with 93.7% in 1973.

Following the recent partial relaxation of dividend limitation, the maximum dividend which can be distributed to Shareholders in respect of the year 1974 is 5.4016p per share as compared with 4.9037p per share for 1973.

General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation Ltd.
World Headquarters, General Buildings, Perth, Scotland.

The Times Share Index
The Times Share Index for 07.08.74 (base June 3, 1964) stands at 2,394.44 (base June 2, 1969) = 100.

Table with 4 columns: Index, Div. Yield, Div. Pct, Previous. Rows include Industrial, Consumer Goods, etc.

Money Market Rates

Table with 2 columns: Buying, Selling. Rows include 1 month, 3 months, 6 months.

Briefly

STOREY BROTHERS
Company has acquired 47 per cent of Macgregor Wallcoverings.

CHUBB & SON
Lord Hayer, chairman, told meeting that company is off to good start with sales and profits.

HAW PAR-BALMAIN
French fashion house signed agreement with Mandarin (Collections) Ltd.

MAYBRO PROPS
Last term net profit pre-tax was £265,000 (£232,000) with dividend of 3.3p (3.15p).

PRETORIA PORTLAND CEMENT
Turnover R56.7m (R25.5m). Taxable profit R11.7m (R7.1m).

DRAYTON COMMERCIAL
Net revenue for half year, £374,000 (£312,000) thanks to higher interest rates.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

MUAR RIVER RUBBER
Approach has been received which might lead to sale of Muar and Sapong Estates in Sabah.

CHARTERHOUSE INV TRUST
Anticipating that bid by Charterhouse Group will be declared unconditional, Trust has sold entire holding in Group, amounting to 945,000 shares.

PHILIP HILL TRUST
Group has interest in 10.22 million ordinary shares of Hill Samuel Group (17.5 per cent) as result of purchases of 300,000 shares between July 29 and August 2.

JAMES SCOTT ENG
Current year has started with difficult work volume, but prospects appear to be bright.

AMAR Selection Trust's subsidiary, Australian Selection, has received approval from the Registrar of Companies in its offer for 88.6 per cent of shares.

كندا من الأصل

London and Regional Market Prices

Caution returns

ACCOUNT DAYS: Dealings Began Aug 5. Dealings End, Aug 15. Contango Day, Aug 19. Settlement Day, Aug 28. Forward bargains are permitted on two previous days

THE TELEPHONE ANSWERING MACHINE FROM 86p PER WEEK. ALSO INEXPENSIVE ONE YEAR RENTAL. Tel: 01-778 2331

HILE connoisseurs' cognac

Main market data table with columns for various stock categories: BRITISH FUNDS, COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL, COMMONWEALTH AND FOREIGN, LOCAL AUTHORITIES, FOREIGN STOCKS, DOLLAR STOCKS, BANKS AND DISCOUNTS, BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES, FINANCIAL TRUSTS, INSURANCE, INVESTMENT TRUSTS, OIL, PROPERTY, RUBBER, TEA, MISCELLANEOUS, MINES, and SHIPPING. Each section contains a list of companies with their respective prices and changes.

Women's Appointments also on page 25

SECRETARIAL

CITY BASED INTERNATIONAL RECRUITMENT CONSULTANTS P.A./SECRETARY £2,000 p.a. PLUS COMMISSION

If you want a job combining a high degree of personal involvement and status with a solid basic salary and scope to earn much more through initiative and application, this could be your niche.

Please telephone Mrs Willis 01-283 5773.

ALANGATE AGENCY

AUDIO SECRETARY £2,500 For Merchant Bank, W.I. to work with Chairman's Secretary. General legal experience necessary.

SECRETARY/P.A.

Senior Partner Capable Secretary/Personal Assistant with initiative to work in very pleasant solicitors offices in the City.

P/A SECRETARY TO FINANCE OFFICER.

NATIONAL UNION OF STUDENTS Interesting position - varied work. Shorthand and typing essential. Good salary and holiday.

SECRETARY

Required for small internal office in City. In addition to clerical duties, the successful candidate will be responsible for a variety of duties in connection with the office.

WE NEED HELP!

We are a young expanding marketing company situated in Jersey St. We require an enthusiastic Secretary/P.A. and also a Secretary.

TALENTED TEMPS

We appreciate and enjoy better working conditions in the City. We are looking for people who are motivated, energetic and who want to work for us.

IT'S FUN TO BE A KELLY GIRL

We need Secretaries. Copy and paste, typing, good shorthand and a bit of office fun. What more can you want?

LOCAL Young dynamic Marketing Director

Director of a young dynamic Marketing firm with high prestige in Wembley. The successful candidate will be responsible for a variety of duties in connection with the office.

TEMPORARY SECRETARY / Girl

Friday afternoon only. Good salary and holiday. Excellent opportunity for a young woman to gain experience in a dynamic environment.

IF YOU LIKE WORKING on your feet

You will be a valuable asset to our team. We are looking for a person who is energetic, motivated and who can handle a fast-paced environment.

Secretary in Personnel circa £2500

This appointment calls for administrative and secretarial skills at a high level. Reporting to the Personnel Manager you will be involved with a broad spectrum of personnel work.

WOMEN'S APPOINTMENTS SECRETARIAL

BILINGUAL SECRETARY

RUSSIAN/ENGLISH Circa £2,500 p.a. Kellog International, world wide designers and consultants to the petrochemical industry.

Applicants aged 21+, should be experienced secretaries with English shorthand and typing qualifications, and be able to type in Russian.

Kellog International Corporation

62/72 Chiltern Street, London W1M 2AD Telephone 01-486 4444

STELLA FISHER IN THE STRAND

LANGUAGE SECRETARIES Secretary with good Italian for translating. £2,300 p.a. Part-time Secretary with French. £1,900 p.a.

Executive Selection SECRETARIAL ASSISTANT

£2,100 net. A young group of Consultants in the Executive Selection Field require a Secretarial Assistant.

THE PRIME MINISTER

might be getting letters with your initials on the bottom if you come and work for a major voluntary agency in the field of overseas development.

IRANIAN EMBASSY PRINCES GATE, S.W.7

Requires experienced English speaking Secretary. Aged 25-35. Excellent salary. Please ring 01-584 8101, ext 54.

PARIS

A good shorthand secretary to a Company Director on a temporary basis. Salary £2,500 per month net.

EDITOR OF I.T.N.

enterprising P.A./Secretary with initiative and personality. Good salary. Ring Sheridan, 01-577 2424

SECRETARY WANTED

For small, friendly office in Holland Park. Must have excellent shorthand and typing skills. Salary negotiable.

OVER £2,000 P.A.

avails really competent and secretarial for solicitors, W.C.1. Previous legal experience not essential. 01-405 3761 (Ref. 2)

EFFICIENT SECRETARY

required by Manager of extremely busy international advertising department in West End Office. Good salary and pension available.

MEDICAL SECRETARIES

temporary and permanent. Top rates. Apply to Mrs. Lepper, Medical and Dental Secretaries, Telephone 01-933 0643 or 01-352 5697.

AMERICAN LAWYER IN CITY

requires capable, efficient Secretary. 25-35 years experience. Salary £2,500 p.a. plus benefits. Ring 01-283 5773.

SECRETARY FOR ARCHITECTS

Contact ARAA Agency, 724 0535. Requires a person who is organized, efficient and has excellent shorthand and typing skills.

Director's Private Secretary

Position exists in the City for a young lady, aged 24-30, to work for one of our Senior Directors. Duties are varied and interesting and you will be working in friendly offices.

WOMEN'S APPOINTMENTS SECRETARIAL

INTERNATIONAL WOOL SECRETARIAL

require SENIOR SECRETARY c. £2,400 plus L.V.s for its DIRECTOR OF FINANCE. This is a responsible position requiring good typing and shorthand skills and an organizing ability.

SECRETARY TO SUPPLY CONTROLLER AROUND £2,100

We need a competent secretary to help set up a new department dealing with the buying of all equipment and materials required by the company.

TWO OF A KIND

Job done Sports Assoc. in Epsom requires a P.A. Sec. 25 plus, to their Sec. General who is also Sec. of European Assoc. Thorough French and German useful.

SECRETARY TO FINANCE

for M. & J. PERSONNEL 838 4737 M. & J.—The carling way.

LADY P.A. TO COMPANY DIRECTOR

Lady aged 22-30 required as personal assistant to Director of Finance. Salary £2,500 p.a.

MANAGEMENT CONSULTANTS

Two highly intelligent Secretaries required for an international company in the West End. Varied and interesting work under pressure.

TEMPORARIES

If this week's temporary job is a disaster then we will refund your deposit with 10% for both long and short-term contracts.

FASHION AFTER A FASHION

A really mature, super-competent P.A. required to work on own initiative in a busy fashion house.

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST

Busy Harley Street Consultants need responsible enthusiastic girl who enjoys constant contact with people from 9.30 to 5.30.

EXPERIENCED SECRETARY

With not less than 3 years' experience of shorthand and typing in a busy office.

MANAGEMENT AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

required for the Squash Rackets Association offices in Knightsbridge. No clerical duties.

CO-OWNERSHIP

is a concept for the services of high calibre executives for appointments through a limited liability company.

PUBLIC AND EDUCATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

University of Nottingham SURVEYOR AND ENGINEER: SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE.

TEACHER OF ENGLISH

required for private language school. Good knowledge of English essential.

WANTED—dedicated but bored

school mistress who understands the value of the job and is not on learning to do it.

DOMESTIC SITUATIONS

Wanted—6 months from September, three to five days a week. Salary £2,500 p.a. plus benefits.

DOMESTIC SITUATIONS

LANCHESTER POLYTECHNIC Applications are invited for the residential post: DOMESTIC BURSAR. The Domestic Bursar will be responsible to the Warden for the housekeeping and accommodation for 214 students.

CONTACT PERSONNEL INC CANADA

Housekeepers 25+ wanted to work for private families in all areas of Canada. Excellent salaries and benefits.

CHESTER

Executive business couple required to move from Southern England to Chester. Good salary and benefits.

COOK

required mid-October. Country job in West Country. Good salary and benefits.

INTERNATIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Europe, N.A.S. America. Opportunities for secretaries and administrators in the home and abroad.

SCOTLAND

Super salaried hotel job in West Coast. Excellent salary and benefits.

REQUIRE

CHILDREN'S NURSERY, from 4 years. Excellent facilities. Good salary and benefits.

SITUATIONS WANTED

EXECUTIVE ACCOUNTANT, Indian. Free in September for residential post in London.

SECRETARY/P.A.

required by Secretary of professional society. Excellent salary and benefits.

APPOINTMENTS ALSO ON PAGE 7

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS

CLAYMAN Legal Division offer a wide range of Careers Appointments. Excellent salaries and benefits.

MANAGEMENT AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

required for the Squash Rackets Association offices in Knightsbridge.

FLAT SHARING

EXECUTIVE FLAT SHARING—The Shirehampton. Excellent facilities and services.

HERN HILL, S.E.24

3 bed, 2 bath, modern kitchen, garage. Excellent location.

COMMON MARKET EXECUTIVES

opportunities for secretaries and administrators in the home and abroad.

WIDMORET Large, bright house

in the heart of the city. Excellent location and facilities.

NOTICE

All advertisements are subject to our general conditions. We reserve the right to refuse any advertisement.

RENTALS

SUITABLE EXECUTIVE. Pleasantly decorated, 4 bed, 2 bath, modern kitchen, garden, garage.

HOLLAND P.

Luxury self-contained double bedrooms, 2 rooms, kitchen and suitable family of 6.

KENSINGTON

DELIGHTFUL SUITE, 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, large kitchen, large living room.

URGENT LANDLORD

have many very suitable houses and flats in all areas London.

LUXURIOUS LIVING

apartment, 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, large living room, kitchen, garage.

FERRIER & DAVIES

estate agents, 200 Strand, London, W.C.2. Tel: 01-283 5773.

CHELSEA, S.W.4

3 bed, 2 bath, modern kitchen, garage. Excellent location.

ROWAN RD, W.S.

4 bed, 2 bath, modern kitchen, garage. Excellent location.

LOHNDON HOMES

have many very suitable houses and flats in all areas London.

MARYLEBONE RD.

4 bed, 2 bath, modern kitchen, garage. Excellent location.

RENTALS

EXECUTIVE FLAT SHARING—The Shirehampton. Excellent facilities and services.

SECRETARY/P.A.

required by Secretary of professional society. Excellent salary and benefits.

APPOINTMENTS ALSO ON PAGE 7

LEGAL APPOINTMENTS

CLAYMAN Legal Division offer a wide range of Careers Appointments. Excellent salaries and benefits.

MANAGEMENT AND EXECUTIVE ADMINISTRATOR

required for the Squash Rackets Association offices in Knightsbridge.

FLAT SHARING

EXECUTIVE FLAT SHARING—The Shirehampton. Excellent facilities and services.

HERN HILL, S.E.24

3 bed, 2 bath, modern kitchen, garage. Excellent location.

COMMON MARKET EXECUTIVES

opportunities for secretaries and administrators in the home and abroad.

WIDMORET Large, bright house

in the heart of the city. Excellent location and facilities.

NOTICE

All advertisements are subject to our general conditions. We reserve the right to refuse any advertisement.

ADVERTISING... 01-837 3311... Details of advertising rates and services.

DEATHS... AMBROSE... On August 6th at home... BIRTHS... CARROLL... On August 6, 1974...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Monday 12th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Tuesday 27th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Wednesday 28th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Thursday 29th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Friday 30th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Saturday 31st August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Sunday 1st September...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Monday 12th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Tuesday 27th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Wednesday 28th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Thursday 29th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Friday 30th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Saturday 31st August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Sunday 1st September...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Monday 12th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Tuesday 27th August...

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 13,758... Grid with clues for Across and Down.

ACROSS... 1 They have feelings for our... 2 Time to retire (3)... 3 Appropriate bed-side accessories...

DOWN... 1 Caryard in the Times? (5)... 2 Heat preparation for the board (5)... 3 Appropriate bed-side accessories...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Monday 12th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Tuesday 27th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Wednesday 28th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Thursday 29th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Friday 30th August...

DEATHS... WOODHEAD... On August 6th at home... ANNOUNCEMENTS... Saturday 31st August...

ENCOUNTER OVERLAND... 01-837 3311... Advertisement for a travel agency.

LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE?... Advertisement for a travel agency.

ENCOUNTER OVERLAND... 01-837 3311... Advertisement for a travel agency.

LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE?... Advertisement for a travel agency.

ENCOUNTER OVERLAND... 01-837 3311... Advertisement for a travel agency.

LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE?... Advertisement for a travel agency.

ENCOUNTER OVERLAND... 01-837 3311... Advertisement for a travel agency.

LIFE ON THE OCEAN WAVE?... Advertisement for a travel agency.

ENCOUNTER OVERLAND... 01-837 3311... Advertisement for a travel agency.